THE WEATHER TODAY
Cloudy and mild Thursday; followed by rain over south and rain or snow over north portion Thursday night and Friday; somewhat colder Friday.

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ASHLEY GANG ROUTED FROM STRONGHOLD

Everglades Camp of Desperadoes Fired Upon by Officers in Night — Bullets Cut Down Barricade

2 DEAD; 1 WOUNDED

Posse Leader Killed—Aged Gangster Dies of Hurts—Woman Camp Follower Injured—Search Continues

West Palm Beach, Fla., Jan. 9.—Two men were killed and a woman was injured today during a clash between officers and citizens with a band of outlaws in the Florida Everglades, 26 miles north of here. The officers, using machine guns, fired on the outlaws' camp early this morning. The fight raged all day and tonight several posses of citizens and officers are searching the swamp lands for escaped members of the band known as the Ashley gang.

Deputy Sheriff Fred Baker, 35, leader of the posses, was shot and killed early this morning and Joe W. Ashley, 65, member of the gang, died from gunshot wounds this afternoon. Laura Up-the-Grove, said "to have been a camp follower, was wounded in the scalp and leg.

Within a score of miles of where the wealth and society of the country is gathered in pleasure seeking, tonight three posses of citizens are scouring the Everglades in the vicinity of Fruita, in an effort to capture members of the gang who escaped.

Bullets Cut Barricade.

Shortly before dark, officers and posse members returned to West Palm Beach, bringing with them seven men and women, alleged to have been associated with the gang.

Incensed by the death of Baker, citizens forming the posses set fire to the Joe Ashley home. They then crossed the road and touched fire to the country home of his son-in-law. With brands from this last fire, they burned garages and automobiles standing in them, bent on wiping out the last vestige of the gang that has figured prominently in the criminal annals of this section for 10 years.

All of the elements of bravery and daring characterising wiping out outlawry in western frontier blended in today's tragedy that began when Albert Miller, lookout for the desperados' camp, fatally wounded Baker as the latter was advancing. Miller fired from behind a tree within a few paces of the officer.

"I guess I've finished you," Miller shouted as he fled. Baker fell with a gaping wound through his right lung, but not before he had emptied 15 rounds into the camp from his automatics.

Make Dash for Freedom.

Four companion officers carried Baker into safety and a few moments before he expired he said, "Well, boys, I did my best."

The original battle scene was located 40 miles north of this city. It started at 2 o'clock this morning when Deputy Sheriff Baker and other officers attacked the stronghold of the gang, located behind strong barricades which had been prepared as far back as seven years ago to keep away officers.

A machine gun was brought into play and it slowly began to play havoc with the heavy breastworks. Rather than die behind the barricades, the outlaws made a dash for liberty early this afternoon. Ashley was killed, the woman was wounded and Wesley Mobley and the women captured. The other men succeeded in getting deeper into the Everglades.

The forces that routed the outlaw band penetrated a country seldom entered by white men.

National Guard Ready.

West Palm Beach, Jan. 9. — Members of the 154th Infantry, Florida National Guard, were ordered late tonight to hold themselves in readiness for service in connection with the search for escaped members of the Ashley gang which early today clashed with officers in the Everglades, resulting in two deaths.

Last reports from the posses were to the effect that they were close on the trail of John Ashley, one of the outlaws.

NEW ENGLAND TELLS TROUBLES TO I. C. C.

Washington, Jan. 9. — The New England situation occupied the attention of the Interstate Commerce commission in hearing final arguments upon railroad consolidation proposals. Representatives of a committee, headed by James J. Storrow and appointed by the governors of the six New England states, detailed reasons which were said to have influenced opinion of that section to the view that transportation service in the region would be best served by a grouping of all present lines in the territory into one great corporation.

Such a regional consolidation, it was argued, would serve to insure the financial stability to the resulting corporation and improved service to the New England public. The commission was urged not to lay out any alternative schemes by which one or more of the New England roads would be attached to eastern trunk line systems.

Discussion before the commission tomorrow will turn chiefly to western railroad conditions.

RACE HORSES BURNED WHEN FLAMES DESTROY STABLES

Poughkeepsie, Jan. 9. — Six horses, including Eva Guy, by Guy Axworthy, and one of her colts by Justice Brooke, were burned to death in a fire which destroyed the main barn of the Hudson River Driving park, owned by the Jacob Ruppert estate here tonight. The loss is estimated at between $15,000 and $20,000.

WANTS EIGHT-HOUR DAY FOR INMATES OF STATE PRISONS

Five Hours Near Average of Daily Work, Says Report—Welfare of Prisoners Demands Occupation

Albany, Jan. 9. — Introduction of the eight-hour day in the prisons of New York is recommended in the report issued here tonight of the state commission of prisons. Inspection of Sing Sing and other institutions showed, the report indicates, that prisoners engaged in the "industry" branches of prison activities were working only from five to six hours a day, on the average.

"The proper employment of every able-bodied man in the state prisons for at least eight hours every working day," the report declared, "should be the aim of every true friend and well wisher of the prisoners." Prisoners are supposed to work seven hours a day at present, the report states, but the time is more frequently five rather than six hours or over.

Proper selection of the prisoners is made almost absolutely necessary, the report continues, because of concentration of certain types of work in various prisons. With industrial plants in Sing Sing, Clinton, and Auburn prisons, farms at Great Meadows, Clinton and Auburn, and road work providing outdoor occupation at Auburn and Great Meadows, classification is greatly to be desired.

Recommendation is made that management for the new classification prison be immediately affected, and that equipment be installed and preparations be made for opening as soon as possible for the new prison, which is being constructed as a part of Sing Sing.

TROOPERS SECURE MANY CONVICTIONS

Report for Year Shows 91 Per Cent of Arrested Persons Found Guilty

Albany, Jan. 9.—State police during the past year made 14,166 arrests, with convictions resulting in 12,936, or 91 per cent, of them, according to the report of the department of state police made public tonight by Superintendent John A. Warner. Value of property recovered through efforts of the troopers totaled $550,979.92, with fines collected totaling $146,021.38. Only 339 of the cases resulting from arrests by troopers were discharged.

The smallest number of convictions under any single item in the report was in liquor law arrests, where but 42 of the 252 persons arrested were convicted. Cases pending in the courts on this charge number 194. In the detailed records of arrests, the greatest number was 4,772 for motor vehicle law violations. Second largest was 4,305 arrests for violations of the general highway traffic law. Automobiles recovered during the year number 244.

Deaths of two troopers on duty occurred during 1923, the report recalls. Corporal Harold C. Mattice was shot by a maniac whom he was about to place under arrest in Morris and Trooper Roy A. Donivan, patrolling the highway north of Saratoga Springs, was killed by members of a gang of holdup men for whom he was on the lookout.

OBREGONISTS READY TO ENGAGE ESTRADA'S MEN

Washington, Jan. 9. — A major offensive against the Guadalajara rebels in Mexico is to be launched at once by the Obregon forces, the Mexican embassy here said in a statement today outlining the military situation in Mexico.

"President Obregon," the statement said, "left Mexico City this morning for Irapuato to personally give the signal for the advance. The attack will be against every unit of the rebel army under General Estrada and it will be the plan of the federal forces to deal a decisive blow. Troops, munitions, and planes have been massed about Irapuato for several days in preparation for the drive."

RESCUES CAT FROM ICE.

Glens Falls, Jan. 9.—A maltese cat, left on the ice in the Hudson river, was rescued today by John Dickinson of Fenimore. The cat, after squirming free from the sack, in which she had been placed, found her escape blocked by open water. A thrown rope effected the rescue. George Cooper, also of Fenimore, has named the cat "Little Eva" and given her a home.

WILL PROMOTE SLADEN

Washington, Jan. 9. — Brigadier General Fred W. Sladen, superintendent of the military academy at West Point, has been selected for promotion to major general.

BUTLER RUSHES CLEAN UP OF PHILADELPHIA

Devilding Favorite Visits Police Stations and Puts Many Clerks Back on Beats—Raids Continue

HEADS WILL FALL

General Says 70 Per Cent of Police With Him—Other Doubtful—Process to Continue for Year

Philadelphia, Jan. 9. — Brigadier General Smedley D. Butler's sweeping campaign to clean up Philadelphia continued in full force today. A tour of police stations by the new director of public safety was followed by a raid on a large central city cafe, one of those visited by Governor Pinchot during his personal investigation of liquor violations several months ago.

In reviewing the situation, the general said: "This is a house cleaning and we've finished only the first floor. We must clean, clean, clean until January 1, 1925, when I leave here under my one-year leave of absence from the Marine corps."

Seventy per cent of the police force, he declared, was with him. The remaining 30 per cent was "on the doubtful list." And," he added, "heads will fall" if the "zero hour"—3:30 p. m. tomorrow finds any district of the city not absolutely clean.

The general named two districts as "black spots," and indicated that drastic action would be taken against police officials there if any laxity was discovered in keeping them clean.

One Cafe Violates Order.

The raid on the Venetian cafe, one of the largest saloons in the central part of the city, resulted in seizure of a quantity of what the police believe is illegal beer. The proprietor accompanied the police to the city hall, after locking up the place.

Forty-four clerical positions in the police department were abolished by the director during the day, and four captain's clerks were put on regular beats.

In the city's tenderloin today quiet [illegible] had broken any attempt at defiance of the administration's 48-hour clean up edict.

In defiance of police orders to remain closed, the Venetian cafe reopened tonight and was doing a rushing business. Men were lined two and three deep at the bar and extra bartenders were necessary to take care of the crowd.

Lieutenant Carlin hurriedly communicated with General Butler regarding what steps were to be taken but did not announce what the general's instructions were.

TIDAL WAVE AT BIARRITZ.

Biarritz, France, Jan. 9. — A tidal wave early today tore a dozen fishing vessels from their moorings here and wrecked them and swept away the parapet of the promenade on the embankment. Sand from the sea was washed a hundred yards inland into the ground floors of seashore homes and shops. Similar damage is reported from nearby ports.

At Les Sables-d'Olonne, on the Bay of Biscay, a number of vessels broke from their anchorages and were sent adrift.

The Day In Washington

Southern power interests submitted a new offer for Muscle Shoals.

Separation of the Shipping board and the Emergency Fleet corporation was approved by the board.

Attorney General Daugherty announced he had ample evidence to support charges of Communist propaganda in America.

The interior department appropriations bill first of the big supply measures completed in committee, was reported to the house.

Republican leaders of the house were said to believe it unwise to pass a bonus bill at any time this session.

The Philippine independence mission made a plea to congress for independence for the islands in a memorial attacking Governor General Wood.

The entire session of the house was devoted to eulogies of the late Representative Claude Kitchin, North Carolina, former Democratic floor leader.

John F. O'Ryan, special counsel, was called into conference by the senate veterans committee which is considering a report to be made on its investigation of the Veterans' bureau.

Senator Mayfield, Democrat, Texas, entered a sweeping denial of charges made against him in the contest growing out of the election.

The long senate deadlock over the interstate commerce committee chairmanship was broken by the election as chairman of a Democrat, Senator Smith, South Carolina.

The senate public lands committee decided to send Senator Walsh, Democrat, Montana, to Palm Beach to examine Edward B. McLean in connection with its investigation of naval oil reserve leases.

Attorney General Daugherty in an opinion rendered to Secretary Hoover defined the limits within which trade associations may gather and transmit statistical information.

Elected Chairman

Senator Smith, Democrat, South Carolina, yesterday was chosen chairman of interstate commerce committee of that body, defeating Senator Cummins, Republican, Iowa, on 32nd ballot, by a vote of 39 to 29. Choice of Mr. Smith ends a deadlock existing since December 10.

BREAKS HUMDRUM OF PARLIAMENT

Labor Member Draws Disapproval of Own Party by Fancied Grievance

(By the Associated Press)

London, Jan. 9.—Appreciation of the approaching responsibilities of office, which has brought a tone of moderation to the language and sentiments of the leaders and most of the members of the Labor party, has not yet extended to some of the extremists of the party. The humdrum proceedings of parliament, which was engaged today in swearing in the members—a process which was still incomplete when the house adjourned tonight—was broken by the violence of Joseph Jones (Jack Jones), Labor member for Westham, who because of some fancied grievance against the house of lords, came into conflict with the speaker and thereby earned the openly expressed disapproval of the other members of his party.

Carries Argument to House.

The occasion was the procession of the commoners to the upper house to hear the king's message of approval, and the election of the Right Honorable John Henry Whitley as speaker. This is a mere formality, and only a sprinkling of peers was present. This seems to have incensed Jones, who, with the other members of the house of commons, was in the gallery, from which point of vantage he audibly voiced his resentment.

On the members returning to their own house, Mr. Jones complained to the speaker that the peers had treated the commoners with contempt. The speaker vainly tried to mollify the angry member by promising to inquire into any grievance, but Jones persistently continued the altercation. He finally was induced to resume his seat.

WANT FREE SPEECH BY PRESBYTERIANS

"Do Not Desire Liberty to Go Beyond Evangelical Teachings," Says Statement

Buffalo, Jan. 9. — Right of the Presbyterian clergy to exercise liberty of thought and teaching is maintained in an affirmation signed by 150 Presbyterian ministers in all parts of the United States, issued tonight by a committee headed by the Rev. Murray Shipley Howland, D. D., of the Lafayette Avenue Presbyterian church.

"We do not desire liberty to go beyond the teaching of evangelical christianity," the affirmation said in part, "but we maintain that it is our constitutional right and our Christian duty within these limits to exercise liberty of thought and teaching, that we may more effectively spread the gospel of Jesus Christ, the savior of the world."

The committee was formed and the affirmation prepared, Dr. Howland said, as the result of action taken by the general assembly at Indianapolis last May in connection with the Harry Emerson Fosdick case. The 150 signers, he said, had been chosen as representatives after consultations extending over several months.

The affirmation, Dr. Howland said, does not indicate a liberal-conservative controversy.

MAY SPLIT OPERATION OF SHIPS FROM SHIPPING BOARD

Washington, Jan. 9. — After three days' discussion the Shipping board today adopted and sent to President Coolidge for study a resolution separating the board from the Emergency Fleet corporation and delegating the latter authority to operate the government fleet.

Pending its study by the President, provisions of the resolution were not made public, but they were understood to reserve to the board full power of supervision over all ship sales and allocations and selection of trade routes, and the power to dispense with the services of the fleet corporation head as it wills. It was on the point of the power to be reserved to the board that the hitch developed which held up agreement on the plan by its members.

LABOR BOARD IS BONE OF CONTENTION

Conference Seeking to Formulate Nation's Transportation Policy Split on Its Usefulness

O. R. C. HAS PLAN

L. E. Sheppard, Its President, Says Organized Labor Will Present Substitute Measure to Congress

Washington, Jan. 9. — More than 100 representatives of transportation, industrial labor, agricultural interests of the country, met here today in a national transportation conference, under the auspicies of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States to formulate a proposed national policy of transportation.

Discussion centered on government relations to transportation, railroad consolidation, and the readjustment of relative freight rate schedules. Consideration of a report on the first subject by a special committee of the chamber, which urged continuation of the railroad labor board until it has had greater opportunity to demonstrate its usefulness, brought expressions of opposition to the board from representatives of railroad labor organizations and others.

After secretary Hoover, addressing the conference, had suggested a solution of the railroad labor problem on the principle of conference between railroad management and employes L. E. Shepherd president of the Order of Railroad Conductors, told the conference that railroad labor organizations had formulaed a plan they would present to congress as a substitute for the labor board. Mr. Shephard said he was not at liberty to disclose the nature of the plan.

16 MEASURES INTRODUCED TO CARRY OUT SMITH'S PLANS

Albany, Jan. 9. — Democratic leaders in both houses of the New York legislature today hastened to the support of Governor Smith by introducing 16 measures which seek to carry out recommendations contained in his annual message. Additional administration bills are expected to be introduced tomorrow.

Discussion at the capital tonight centers about the home rule enabling act which will put into effect the home rule amendment approved by the electorate last fall.

Little is expected to be done on the matter, however, until early next week.

75 MEN ESCAPE DEATH AS BOMB WRECKS HOTEL FRONT

Montpelier, Indiana, Jan. 9. — Seventy-five men housed in the Columbia hotel here escaped injury when a bomb wrecked the front of the building early today. County authorities said the men in the hotel were strikebreakers and attributed the explosion to persons in sympathy with strikers at the Montpelier Manufacturing company and the National Steel Castings company.

SHIP SNOW TO BRIAR CLIFF

Utica, Jan. 9. — With old sol smiling brightly and thermometers registering their higest points of months, a blizzard struck Utica this afternoon in the form of 10,000 cubic feet of snow. It was contained in freight cars of the New York Central railroad, loaded at Old Forge and is on its way to Briar Cliff park, Westchester county, where final trials of the United States skil runners are to be held Sunday prior to sailing for the Olympic games.

SMITH COMMUTES SENTENCE.

Albany, Jan. 9. — Governor Smith today commuted the sentence of Peter Clodgo, convicted in Albany county in February, 1922, of first degree robbery, so that he may be released immediately on parole. Clodgo was sentenced to a term of not less than five nor more than 10 years in Clinton prison.

Legislative Activities

Sixteen bills carrying out administration policies were introduced in both houses.

Bills which seek to put into effect recommendations made by Governor Smith in annual message include:

Restoration of direct primary law, enacted under the Glynn administration in 1913, abolished by the Miller government in 1921.

Popular initiative for constitutional amendments.

Improved labor conditions for women and children in industry.

Thirteen bills seeking to consolidate various state departments and commissions.

Election of Martin J. Kennedy as senator from the 19th district in New York assures continuance of Democratic majority of one in senate.

Assemblyman Louis A. Cuvillier, Democrat, New York, announces he will ask investigation of council of farms and markets.

Both houses held short and merely perfunctory sessions with many members out of the city.

ENDICOTT MAN KILLED WHEN ERIE TRAIN STRIKES AUTO

Binghamton, Jan. 9. — George J. Millis of Endicott was killed when his automobile was struck by an Erie train at the Oak Hill avenue crossing in Endicott tonight. Mr. Millis apparently did not see the oncoming train until his machine was too near the tracks to enable him to stop it.

SMITH WINS OVER CUMMINS IN FIGHT FOR CHAIRMANSHIP

Gets 39 Votes on 32nd Ballot, Ending Deadlock Over Choice of Interstate Commerce Committee Head

Washington, Jan. 9. — A Democrat, Alison D. Smith, South Carolina, was elected today by the senate as chairman of its interstate commerce committee, one of the ranking committees of the new Republican congress.

Four insurgent Republicans and two Farmer-Labor senators threw their support to Smith, thus not only breaking a deadlock which has existed since December 19, but also giving the country convincing manifestation that their control of the balance of power in the senate is as complete as is that of the Republican insurgents in the house.

On the 32nd and final ballot of the deadlock, Albert B. Cummins, Iowa, who had the endorsement of the Republican organization for reelection, received only 29 votes as against 39 for Smith and six for Cousens, Republican, Michigan, who had been the third choice of the insurgents. Smith received only one vote more than the necessary majority of the 74 senators voting.

With the deadlock broken, organization of the 68th congress is complete except for an exciting fight over the office of president pro tem.

The situation as to this matter was somewhat obscure tonight. Senator Cummins is without the endorsement of the Republican party conference for this place, as party leaders have held an election to be unnecessary. With the Iowa senator deposed from the chairmanship of the committee which handles railroad legislation, the insurgents have indicated that they would support him for reelection as president pro tem, but there has been [illegible] from the Republican organization.

THREE CHILDREN, 2 WOMEN KILLED

Three Brooklyn Apartment Houses Burn—All Members of Same Family

New York, Jan. 9. — Two women and three children, all members of the same family, were killed in a fire that swept through three Brooklyn apartment houses late today. The dead are Mrs. Mary Esler, 48, her five-year-old son, Steve; her daughter-in-law, Mary, 28; and two grandchildren, Harold, 6, and Katherine, 12, children of Mary and George Esler, Jr.

The fire started in the center of three buildings that stood in a row. It was in this building that the Esler family lived on the third floor. Harold was killed when he jumped from a window of the apartment and his father was seriously injured when he also jumped from the flames.

Believe Still the Cause.

Although the origin of the fire was not definitely established, those directing three investigations—the fire marshals, the district attorney and the fire department,—worked on the theory that a whiskey still had exploded. They searched for a roughly dressed young man who was reported to have run from the center building just before the fire [illegible].

The victims had no chance to escape, so rapidly did the flames spread, and the first firemen to arrive found the three buildings unconquerable infernos.

Charred almost beyond recognition, the Eslers were found in a heap just inside of their apartment door which was locked.

NORCROSS, WOUNDED BY INSANE DOCTOR, DIES

Glens Falls, Jan. 9. — Fred Norcross of Dorset, Vermont, who was shot through the abdomen by his cousin, Dr. Robert H. Lee of Hartford Monday when the physician killed his wife and ended his own life, died at 6:20 this morning in a hospital in this city today.

During the time he was in the hospital Norcross is said to have given no explanation for the shooting beyond the statement that Dr. Lee had "made it uncomfortable" for him. A double funeral service for Dr. Lee and his wife will be conducted tomorrow from the Baptist church in Hartford.

Norcross had been divorced several months.

CURFEW AT BALLSTON SPA

Ballston Spa, Jan. 9. —Every boy and girl in this village must be off the streets at 9:15 p. m. hereafter, in accordance with a decision of the trustees, announced today, to enforce the curfew law.

Many complaints of juvenile delinquency have recently been received by the trustees, they said.

REPUBLICANS THINK BONUS UNWISE NOW

Friends and Foes of Adjusted Compensation Bill Fighting for Advantage in Tonight's Conference

MAY ALTER TACTICS

Veterans' Block May Seek to Have Party Endorse Both Tax Plan and Bonus—Longworth Against Pledges

Washington, Jan. 9. — Republican leaders of the house not only are opposed to the consideration of the soldier bonus ahead of tax legislation but believed it unwise to commit house Republicans to the enactment of a bonus bill at this session of congress.

This attitude became known today as bonus foes and friends perfected their plans for tomorrow night's party conference on taxation and the bonus. As they maneuvered for advantage, the revenue question bobbed up in the senate, half a dozen senators joining in the discussion.

On the house side members of the Republican soldier bloc, who had had tomorrow night's conference called with the avowed purpose of bringing about a showdown on the bonus, were undecided in the face of opposition of organization leaders to their plans, as to what tactics they would employ.

Veterans May Switch Tactics.

The group had intended to offer a resolution instructing the ways and means committee to report the McKenzie bonus bill ahead of the tax measure, now under committee consideration. Announcement by Representative Longworth, the Republican leader, that he would counter with a proposal that the committee complete its consideration of the tax bill and report it before taking up the bonus question and his confidence that he would have enough votes to approve this program was followed today by the statement by some members of the veterans group that they might not carry out their original intentions.

Representative Fish, New York, one of the leaders in the soldier service men's bloc, is understood to be prepared to offer a motion at the conference that the Republican membership of the house record itself as believing a passage of a bonus bill would not be incompatible with tax reduction and that it favors enactment of both tax reduction and bonus legislation at this session.

This proposal, however, does not meet with the approval of Mr. Longworth and other leaders, who declared they thought the house Republicans should not pledge themselves to the passage of any legislation. The Republican leader reiterated that he would press his resolution, providing for priority for the tax bill, to a vote in the conference regardless of proposals offered by bonus proponents.

TWO PLEAD GUILTY TO GEM THEFT OF MRS. SCHOELLKOPF

New York, Jan. 9.—Pleading guilty to participation in the robbery of $300,000 in jewels from Mrs. Hugo C. P. Schoellkopf of Buffalo, at a gay New Year's eve party a year ago, Eugene Moran, New Orleans salesman, and Albert Hurwitch, also known as Horowitz, of New York, were sent to Tombs prison today to await sentences.

Implicated in the crime by Mathew Biddulph, now serving a six-year sentence in Sing Sing for his part in the robbery, Moran and Hurwitch were trailed 14,000 miles through the United States and Mexico before their arrest at Princeton, N. J., last July.

The trio were said to have occupied an apartment in 52nd street on the floor below one frequently visited by Mrs. Schoellkopf. They robbed her as she left the building after the party.

The jewels, it is understood, were never recovered.

105 STRIKES IN NEW YORK IN 1923; WAGES MAIN CAUSE

New York, Jan. 9. — There were 105 strikes in New York state during 1923, an increase of 32 over 1922, the bureau of mediation and arbitration of the state labor department announced today. Wage disputes were the principal cause of strikes in 1923, there being 69 more strikes over pay than in 1922.

The strikes involved 122,179 workers and caused a loss of 1,009,820 working days, but the bureau states that they were generally of shorter duration and probably less bitter than in 1922.

Clothing workers, Schenectady trolley employes, New York pressmen, bricklayers and taxicab chauffeurs in New York city were the chief storm centers of strikes last year.

AUTOIST CRITICALLY WOUNDED.

Plattsburg, Jan. 9. — Bert Joubert was in a critical condition in a hospital here tonight after he is said to have been fired on by customs inspectors and state troopers of Mooers, on the border.

According to reports received here, Joubert refused to heed orders to stop his car for search, and the officers opened fire. The car was said to have contained liquor.

Sports of 1924

By FEG MURRAY

"Snow" Scene

"Snowy" Baker of Australia and Los Angeles is the famous boxing promoter who bought out the stadium at Sydney from Hugh McIntosh, and who has promoted many famous fights in the Antipodes among them the Eddie McGoorty-Lee Darcy battles, as well as Jimmy Clabby's fights on the other side of the world in 1910, '11 and '12. He is still looking for talent to send to kangaroo land. Besides that, the title of "Champion All-Around Athlete of Australia" entitles him to no small degree of fame. If there is anything Snowy can't do in the way of sports, this department hasn't heard of it. First of all, though well beyond forty years old, he is still a remarkably fast and clever boxer. "Undefeated Amateur Champion of Australia"—that's Snowy Baker! He is a wonderful horseman, and many have had the pleasure of seeing Snowy and his white horse "Boomerang" on the vaudeville stage or in the thrilling movies that have been made of them.

As soon as Snowy learns one sport thoroughly he begins on something else. Not content with boxing, wrestling, swimming, fencing, riding, and handball, he took up tumbling and gymnastics two years ago, and is now an expert on the mat. I've seen Snowy stand twenty-five feet away from a man with a cigarette in his mouth and snap the end of the cigarette off as clean as a whistle with one of his long Australia whips.

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CO. F AND CO. G TO CLASH

Three Cornered Contest to be Decided in Game Tonight at Armory—Preliminary Game and Dancing at Odd Fellows.

Tonight the Company G basketball team will meet their battalion rivals representing Company F of Walton on the armory court in what is expected to be the fastest game of the present season. Walton has already defeated the local team on the Walton athletic court by a large score and Company G is determined to avenge this defeat. Company F has been a wonderful offensive and defensive aggregation and only by exceptional work can Company G hope to overtake these speedy basketeers. The game will be full of thrills for basketball fans from start to finish.

As a preliminary to the main event the St. James quintet will clash with the Cooperstown Independent Juniors. The St. James team also has a defeat handing over them at the hands of the Cooperstown team and will endeavor to trim up the team from the county seat. Undoubtedly many will watch with interest the outcome of the struggle between these young basketball artists.

Lynn Smith and his orchestra will furnish music for the dancing which will follow immediately after the main contest. The armory floor will be waxed for the dancing and together with the excellent class of dance music furnished by this orchestra, a pleasant dance following the game is assured. As a special attraction to the game at the armory tonight, the usual charge for the dancing will be included in the regular admission fee. It is expected that a large crowd will be on hand to enjoy the evening's entertainment.

W. R. A. O. T. M. Holds Installation.

The installation of the newly elected officers of the W. R. A. O. T. M. was held last evening in I. O. O. F. temple followed by a dinner for which 150 members and their friends were seated. The event proved successful in every department and was one of the most enjoyable in the history of the organization.

Fine job printing at Herald office.

Braves Take Two From Phillies.

In their match of the Y. M. C. A. bowling tournament rolled on Tuesday evening the Braves came back strong after dropping the first game by a margin of more than 100 pins and took the last two almost as decisively. Crockett had high game of 215, and Bresee high evening of 519.

Following are the tabulations:

Phillies—				
Hill	155	123	176	454
McKenzie	136	153	131	420
Bliss	174	141	137	452
Crockett	215	159	122	496
Walker	164	154	160	478
Totals	844	730	726	2300
Braves—				
M. Babbitt	132	184	183	499
Bresee	195	177	147	519
Beale	169	169	169	517
J. Babbitt	109	206	161	476
Pedrone	126	164	115	405
Totals	732	899	775	2416

Elks' Bowling Tournament.

The Indians took three straight games from the Red Sox on the Elks' home alleys Tuesday evening, being hard pressed in the first game but taking the last two with little difficulty. Ceperley was the star of the evening with high game of 205 and high three game total of 575.

The score:

Red Sox—				
Chiorelli	116	139	140	435
Bedford	174	132	105	401
Davinson	147	146	156	449
Getman	141	154	161	456
Kilkenny	152	152	182	546
Totals	830	763	744	2337
Indians—				
Ceperley	158	205	192	575
Ackerley	154	151	138	442
Lake	155	141	172	468
McClelland	142	123	137	404
Hotaling	196	176	139	511
Totals	825	798	768	2401

Basketball Results.

At West Point — Army 42; University of Delaware 22.

At Princeton—Princeton 28; Vermont 19.

At Cambridge—Harvard 26; M. I. T. 16.

At Annapolis, Md. — Navy 29; Duquesne university 37.

THE JOB OF BEING A DAD

By FRANK H. CHELEY

President Father and Son League of America

No. 20—Give the Boy a Room of His Own.

If the very best of home relationships are to be developed and maintained, and if the home is to be kept attractive to the boy and be a genuinely vital force in his life, the boy ought to have some place in the house that is his very own. If it is a humble possibility, as soon as the boy begins to have chums and belong to the gang, as soon as he begins to acquire property of his own, from books to baseball bats, he ought to have a room of his own.

This does not mean by any means that to provide a boy's room necessitates the arranging of a sound-proof padded cell; far from it. It can easily be made one of the most attractive of all the rooms in the home and yet serve every purpose as a boy's own room. It may even be in a well-lighted basement that is warm, dry, and well lighted, or it may be a finished attic, or, as is the case in many of the modern houses of the middle class, it may be the upstairs of the new garage, heated from the house or warmed by a stove, equipped with a chemistry outfit and open grate. Morning after morning, I guess like the place of an artist, I see the boy's room, whatever it may be, to have gone. Such a fireplace, I think, many times repay the cost in the spirit of sociability and chumminess that it will make possible, not only between boys themselves, but between father and son, as well as other members of the family, for that matter.

There should be school and athletic pennants, as well as athletic equipment that is dear to the heart of the boy. Some of this, such as paddles, tennis rackets and snow shoes, looks well on the wall while such things as bats, masks, and hiking paraphernalia should be kept in a convenient corner or cupboard. There should be space for the boy's own books and catalogues and magazines.

A boy's room, like a boy himself, should be well balanced and should radiate, at least to a certain degree, the very personalities of the boys that are to live in it. It is of the greatest importance that the boys themselves have considerable to say in the planning and furnishing. It must not be a room fixed for them. That is where the average home and parent make a great mistake and fail to utilize a powerful element in boy nature. We continually do too much for boys, when we should do more things with them.

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Y. M. C. A. BOWLING SCHEDULE

List of Games to be Rolled in Second Half of Tournament.

Jan. 15—Phillies-Giants.
Jan. 16—Braves-Cubs.
Jan. 17—Dodgers-Cardinals.
Jan. 18—Reds-Pirates.
Jan. 22—Cubs-Pirates.
Jan. 23—Giants-Braves.
Jan. 23—Giants-Braves.
Jan. 24—Phillies-Cardinals.
Jan. 25—Reds-Dodgers.
Jan. 29—Cardinals-Reds.
Jan. 30—Phillies-Cubs.
Jan. 31—Pirates-Braves.
Feb. 1—Giants-Dodgers.
Feb. 5—Braves-Cardinals.
Feb. 6—Cubs-Reds.
Feb. 7—Phillies-Dodgers.
Feb. 8—Giants-Pirates.
Feb. 12—Braves-Dodgers.
Feb. 13—Pirates-Cardinals.
Feb. 14—Phillies-Reds.
Feb. 15—Giants-Cubs.
Feb. 19—Giants-Cardinals.
Feb. 20—Cubs-Dodgers.
Feb. 21—Pirates-Phillies.
Feb. 22—Braves-Reds.
Feb. 26—Phillies-Braves.
Feb. 27—Cardinals-Cubs.
Feb. 28—Pirates-Dodgers.
Feb. 29—Giants-Reds.

BILL ROPER RESIGNS.

Princeton Coach to Give Up Coaching at End of 1924 Football Season.

Princeton, N. J., Jan. 9. — The resignation of William W. (Bill) Roper as head coach of the Princeton university football team, effective at the end of the 1924 season, was announced here today.

The announcement was made by Dr. Charles W. Kennedy, chairman of the board of athletic control, who received a letter from Roper saying that he would be compelled to discontinue coaching because of the urgent duties of the law profession.

No plans have yet been formulated for choosing Roper's successor, Dr. Kennedy said.

Giants Win Close Contest From Reds.

The Giants won a close contest from the Reds at the Y. M. C. A. last evening but only by rolling for 843 in the last game. Shaw had high game of 204, while Bosworth took high evening again on his average of 157.

Following are the tabulations:

Giants:				
A. Shaw	161	158	204	523
Olin	149	113	115	377
Perrine	164	139	159	443
House	148	158	199	505
Graves	166	148	166	480
Totals	788	697	843	2328
Reds:				
Bosworth	187	187	187	561
Miller	127	141	172	440
Hulbert	130	115	136	381
Lawson	159	184	175	518
Kilkenny	162	162	162	486
Totals	765	789	832	2386

Oneonta Club Beats Masons.

The Oneonta club bowling team won three straight games from the Masonic Five in a match which was one of the features of the smoker held at the Oneonta club last evening. McKean had high game of 203 and high total for three games, 534.

The scores:

Oneonta club:				
Wyckoff	135	202	154	491
Ceperley	152	185	177	514
Mc Kean	167	184	203	554
Leal	193	174	162	525
Totals	842	930	849	2621
Masonic Five:				
Hotaling	142	144	147	433
Bresee	167	149	153	468
Skinner	153	125	155	433
House	156	130	130	416
Goldsmith	149	147	171	467
Totals	767	744	756	2267

County Motor Car Licenses.

Since the receipt of the automobile license plates the Otsego county license bureau at the county clerk's office has been doing a rushing business. On the first Monday of the year nearly $10,000 was received in license fees. Already licenses for 2,926 pleasure vehicles and 589 commercial cars have been issued and the bureau is still busy. There have also been issued several licenses for motorcycles, omnibuses, etc. This rush of extra business has kept the new county clerk, Chester T. Backus, hustling since taking office but he has been fortunate in having the valuable assistance of his predecessor, W. I. Smith, who has cooperated most helpfully.—[Cooperstown Journal.

O. H. S. at Walton.

Coach Risedorph announced last evening that the following would compose the Oneonta High school basketball squad which will oppose the Walton High school team at that village Friday evening:

Guards—Captain Molinari, Glenn and Shepard.

Center—Perman.

Forwards — Delaney, McGuiness, Potter and Bates.

The team will leave the school at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon and will make the trip by bus. The boys are in excellent condition and have no fears as to the outcome of Saturday's game.

90 DEGREES IN CALIFORNIA.

Los Angeles, Cal. Jan. 9. — Citrus growers who last week stayed up all night keeping the orchards warm, yesterday put away their smudge pots and climbed into their family automobiles in an effort to escape the heat. The thermometer registered 90 degrees.

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LITTLE LESSONS IN Big Sports

BASKETBALL

DRIBBLING

1. TOUCH BALL WITH ONLY ONE HAND AT A TIME
2. CONTROL FIRST BY GOOD THROWING; THEN BY ACCURATE TEAM PASSING
3. TAKE ONLY ONE STEP AFTER RECEIVING OR IN GOING TO RECEIVE SO NOT TO LOSE BALL
4. CONSIDER FIRST AT ALL TIMES BE READY TO PASS BALL. WHICH NOT ONLY THE BALL BUT OTHER PLAYERS ALSO. BEGINNERS USUALLY CONCENTRATE ON BALL - FORGETTING TEAM PLAY.

What general cautions can be given about dribbling?

Answered by

JAMES L. McNICHOL

Member of University of Pennsylvania basketball team and one of the "basketball McNichols," the most famous family of players in the game.

In dribbling, the player must bear in mind that he is allowed to touch the ball with only one hand at a time, and the dribble must be continuous; that is, he is not allowed to stop dribbling and then continue, unless the ball has been passed between these two operations. The player is not allowed to take more than one step before he dribbles the ball, or in between dribbles.

The tendency when going toward the basket is to take more than one step directly under the basket and consequently commit a foul by running. The dribbler must always be ready to pass the ball, hence, he must watch the ball and the other player at the same time. The beginner will give all his attention to the ball, forgetting the team entirely. Practice alone will teach the player to watch the ball and players simultaneously.

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Bandit Robs Minister Then Refuses Loot

Lynn, Mass.—Because a bandit had returned his belongings on finding he was a minister, Rev. F. O. Brooks of the Advent Christian church asked the police not to investigate the holdup which he reported to them.

As he was passing a vacant lot a masked man seized his bag, containing about $3, a prayer book and other articles, the clergyman said. The bandit opened the bag, asked him how he happened to be carrying a prayer book, and upon learning his victim's profession handed them back with the explanation that he would not rob a minister.

Engine Run by Mercury Vapor Cuts Fuel Cost

Hartford, Conn.—The first mercury engine in the world for the production of power in commercial quantity is now in operation in the plant of the Hartford Electric Light company, whose officials predict a saving of from 40 to 50 per cent of fuel by its use. The invention is a turbine engine run by mercury vapor. The manufacture of these boilers is so intricate that it will be several years probably before larger boilers can be in operation. The new process, it is said, will require only about one-quarter of the fuel that is used with the best reciprocating engines.

Fuel Briquets.

The United States produces only 0.43 per cent of the world's fuel briquets; the industry being developed chiefly in countries where a large part of the available coal is of low grade and unsuitable for use in the raw state.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK—By the Grace of God Free and Independent.—To Cora Bell Case, William Bell, Nancy Le Munyon, Esther M. Lull, Charles W. Lull, Marion Hoffman, Esther B. Hoffman, Herman Hoffman, Winfield Hoffman, Herbert Hoffman, Sybil Hoffman, Girard B. Lull, Margaret Lull Greger, Grace Lull Pope, Charles Lull, F. Clifford Lull, George Wilson, Charles Wilson, Marjorie Edwards, Kenneth Edwards, Wayne Edwards, Lewis D. Lull, William E. Lull, Chester A. Lull, Sylvanus W. Bromley, Edwin S. Bromley, Herman A. Dunn, Emma A. Lewis, Ada F. Homstreet, Martha E. Turpisch, Ruth B. Embury, Harvey Bell, Stephen Edgar Beacord, Mabel E. Crawford, Rose A. Dwyer, Elizabeth S. Coulter, Abigail Fuller, Elizabeth Bromley, Harvey C. Burgin, Homer Burgin, Paul Burgin, John Burgin, Edwin Burgin, Helen Frisbie, Ina Dreyfus, Laura Thompson, Homer Elliott, Jennie Knapp and Sybil K. Bangsdorf.

Upon the petition of Arthur W. Morse of New Berlin, New York, proponent, you are hereby cited to show cause before the Surrogate's Court of Otsego County at the Surrogate's chambers in the City of Oneonta, in said county on the 5th day of February, 1924, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, why a decree should not be granted admitting to probate a certain instrument in writing as the last will and testament of Charles H. Bell, late of the Town of New Lisbon, said county, deceased, as a valid will of real and personal property; and also to show cause why letters testamentary should not issue thereon.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused the seal of our said Surrogate's Court to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS HON. SHELDON H. CLOSE, Surrogate of the County of Otsego, at the Surrogate's office in Cooperstown, N. Y., this 20th day of December, 1923.

(L. S.) SHELDON H. CLOSE, Surrogate.

ARTHUR W. MORSE, Attorney in Person. Office and P. O. address, New Berlin, N. Y.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Pursuant to an order of Sheldon H. Close, surrogate of the county of Otsego, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Wallace S. Fuller, deceased, late of the city of Oneonta, in said county, that they are required to exhibit the same, with vouchers thereof, to the undersigned, executors of the estate of the said deceased, at the law office of Owen C. Becker, Esq., in the city of Oneonta, in said county, on or before the 15th day of February, 1924.

Dated July 21st, 1923.

Arthur S. Fuller, Edward S. Fuller, Executors.

Owen C. Becker, Esq., Attorney for Executors, Oneonta, N. Y.

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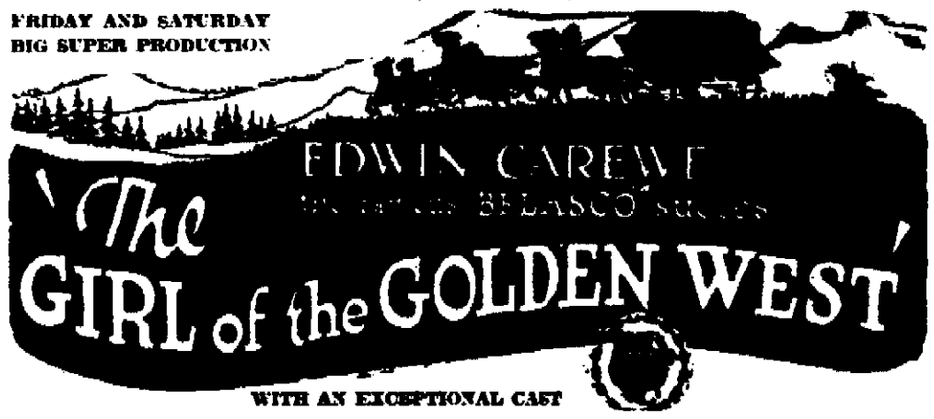

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Say Mountain Bluebeard Starved Girl Victims

Charlestown, W. Va.—Neighborhood tales of a mountain Bluebeard, who enticed girls to his cabin and turned them out on the mountains to die when he tired of them, were reported by State Police Sergeant W. G. Brown, investigating the finding of human bones in Boone county recently.

The man, who was said to have died some time ago, was not named. Neighbors said he had taken several girls, mostly from Kentucky, to his cabin between Joe's creek and Slaughter creek, and later turned them out.

About a year after they heard quarreling in the cabin, which led them to believe he had driven out a young Charleston girl, neighbors said, bones of a woman and a child were found at the foot of a cliff near Joe's creek.

Convict Who Hid in Hot Conduit Punished

Ossining.—Thomas Jefferson Carroll, charged in the Warden's court in Sing Sing prison with hiding in a hot conduit in the prison in an attempt to escape, pleaded guilty and was "docked" about two years of his time for good behavior he had previously earned.

Carroll, a Queens county robber whose relatives live in Jamaica, was recaptured after a fifteen hour search by seven prison guards. He was found sweltering in the conduit under the new death house, through which hot steam pipes run.

Wedding Blunders.

Many a man poignantly remembers the blunders he made at his wedding, and almost wishes that he could marry his bride again "so as to do the thing right."

Know Thyself.

A humble sense of his own fallibility is only vouchsafed to an intelligent man. Some other means of restraining all others appears to be necessary.

A Gentleman.

A gentleman is that civilized type which has a certain sort of habit and education going with some generations of comfort and leisure.—G. K. Chesterton.

She—Don't you think Alice makes up awfully well? He—Couldn't say. She never made up to me.—Judge.

Cured His Rupture

I was badly ruptured while lifting a trunk in recent of passenger. Runners said my only hope of cure was operation. Trusses did me no good. Finally I got hold of something that quickly and completely cured me. Years have passed and the rupture has never returned, although I am doing hard work as a carpenter. There was no operation, no inconvenience, no trouble. I have nothing to sell, but will gladly tell anyone about how you may find a complete cure without operation, if you write to me. Eugene M. Pullen, Carpenter, 1184 Marmaduke Avenue, Muskegon, Mich. Some are cured by the medicine shown by many others who are ruptured—you may save a life or a lifetime of misery and the worry and danger of an operation.

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Delaware County News

SECOND NATIONAL BANK

Cooperstown Financial Institution Chooses Officers for 1924—Eastern Star Installation.

Cooperstown, Jan. 9. — The directors elected on Tuesday by the stockholders of the Second National bank met today and elected the following officers:

President—Charles T. Brewer.
Vice president—Fred L. Quaif.
Cashier and trust officer — F. W. Spraker.
Assistant cashiers—H. H. Willsey and Lynn T. Pier.

Eastern Star Installation.

The Cooperstown chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star installed the following officers at a meeting held this evening in the Masonic temple:

Worthy matron—Mrs. H. J. Ballard.
Worthy patron—John Graham.
Assistant matron — Mrs. Frank Beadle.
Secretary—Mrs. Henry D. House.
Treasurer—Mrs. Squire D. Brooks.
Chaplain—Mrs. Charles A. Francis.
Marshal—Mrs. Adrian A. Pierson.
Color bearer—Mrs. R. G. Johnson.
Warder—Mrs. John Pestle.
Sentinel—Mrs. Charles Wright.
Historian—Miss May Wilber.
Organist—Mrs. E. Lunn.
Trustees — Mrs. Henry Hoffman, Mrs. William Graham and Mrs. Charles Kenney.

Fish and Game Club Banquet.

Twenty-nine members of the new Cooperstown Fish and Game club held a very enjoyable banquet at the New Fenimore last evening. The meal was excellent and the program one affording much pleasure.

Called to Danbury, Conn.

William Smalley was called today to Danbury, Conn., by the serious illness of his mother. Mrs. Smalley underwent an operation recently.

UNADILLA INSTALLATION.

Officers of Freedom Chapter, O. E. S., Take Office Monday.

Unadilla, Jan. 9.—The installation of officers of Freedom chapter, O. E. S., was held Monday evening. Past Worthy Patron Herman Bohn was the installing officer. He was assisted by Past Worthy Matron Evalena MacIntosh, marshal, and Past Worthy Patron Ernest Tabor, assistant marshal.

The following were installed:
Worth Matron—Charlotte Hull.
Associate Matron—Pearl Smith.
Conductress—Naomi Graham.
Associate conductress—Harriet Olds.
Treasurer—Alice Youngs.
Secretary—Gladys Stearns.
Marshal—Frances Parsons.
Chaplain—Emma Brooks.
Historian—Ella Joyce.
Warden—Georgia Cross.
Sentinel—Fred Seaman.
Color bearer—Marjorie VanCott.
Adah—Jennie Crandall.
Ruth—Myrtle Loos.
Esther—Cora Foster.
Martha—Ruth Vrooman.
Electa—Freda Bell.
Trustee—Evalena MacIntosh.

By special dispensation received from the grand chapter, the worthy patron will be elected and installed at the convenience of Freedom chapter. After the ceremonies were over refreshments were served. Guests were present for the installation and social hour.

Church and Sunday School.

The annual meting of the Baptist church was held Tuesday evening, January 8. The reports given showed the past year was the best from a financial view of any in the history of the church. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year.
Financial secretary and treasurer—F. S. Davy.
Trustee—L. O. Gage.
Clerk—Mrs. Lee Cross.
Sabbath school officers for the ensuing year will be:
Superintendent—Charles Castle.
Assistant superintendent—F. S. Davy.
Secretary—Hobart Wright.
Treasurer—Charles Castle.
Organist—Bertha Castle.
Superintendent of primary department—Mrs. Ralph, Belden.
Assistant superintendent of primary department—Grace Boyd.

Fortieth Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Davy were in Wells Bridge Tuesday evening, January 8, to attend a party given by Mr. and Mrs. Linus Jackson in celebration of the fortieth anniversary of their marriage. A very pleasant evening was enjoyed by the guests: among the number there who saw Mr. and Mrs. Jackson married were Mrs. Hattie Fleming, sister of Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Lucy Hills of Gilbertsville and Mrs. F. S. Davy of Unadilla. Delicious refreshments were served and at a late hour the friends, in leaving, presented souvenirs of the occasion and wishes for a continued long and happy life.

Death of Mrs. Sarah Moore.

Mrs. Sarah Moore passed away Wednesday morning, Jan. 9, at 4:30, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Hopkins. Further particulars will be given later.

Attend Installation.

Mr. and Mrs. Colon Benedict of Gilbertsville and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Benedict and Mrs. Gage of Morris attended installation ceremonies of Freedom chapter, O. E. S., Monday evening.

Birth.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Leon York, January 3, a son.

HER WRIST FRACTURED.

Mrs. Minnie Gardner Falls on Ice Last Saturday.

New Lisbon, Jan. 9. — Mrs. Minnie Gardner, who lives alone on her farm in the eastern part of the town, had the misfortune to fall on the ice Saturday and fracture her wrist. Dr. Bishop reduced the fracture and made her as comfortable as possible.

Garrattsville Post Office Moved.

The post office at Garrattsville, which has been located in the store of Stuart Holdredge for several years, has been moved back to its old home in the Breese building, now occupied by George Foote, the latter being the newly appointed postmaster.

Town Clerk's Report.

Town Clerk Nellie Reynolds reports that during the year of 1923 there were 18 births and 23 deaths, also 7 marriage licenses and 82 hunting licenses issued in the town of New Lisbon.

Tax Collector Busy.

Collector Chauncey Yager is now busy taking what surplus money taxpayers have. He will be at Gilbert's store Thursday, Jan. 10; at Lena, Jan. 17, and at Garrattsville Jan. 29.

Minstrel Show Jan. 25.

There will be a minstrel entertainment in Breese's hall Friday evening, Jan. 25, under the auspices of the Home Bureau club.

Given Variety Shower.

Twenty-five friends of Mrs. Harry Fenton, formerly Miss Emma Colburn, gave her a variety shower Saturday evening, Jan. 5, at the home of her sister, Mrs. Worthy Bemiss, at Elm Grove. The evening was pleasantly spent with games and music. Dainty refreshments were served. The bride received many valuable and useful presents. The wishes of all for a happy wedded life are extended.

MIDDLEFIELD CENTER.

Middlefield Center, Jan. 9.—It was announced from the pulpit last Sunday that the Sunday evening services would be discontinued until next April.—Miss Grace VanDeusen returned to her home in Cooperstown last Sunday from spending her vacation with Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Clyde. —Harlow VanDeusen and daughter, Madge, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gates. — Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Cooper spent Saturday in Cooperstown. — Herbert Gates of Cooperstown called on his mother, Mrs. B. L. Gates, last Friday. Mrs. Gates has not been as well as usual for the past week or two.—Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Snyder have a new radio, which was presented to them by their children on Christmas.—Mrs. D. A. Barnum spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. B. L. Gates at the home of Albert Gates. — Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Morrison and son, Donald, were recent guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley McRorie of Springfield. —Miss Dorothy Cunningham returned to Cooperstown on Monday to resume her school work in the Cooperstown High school. — Mrs. Howard Cunningham spent the week-end with her parents at Whig Corners.

DANCING BY RADIO MUSIC.

Elk Creek Grange Hall to Witness Event Saturday Evening.

Elk Creek, Jan. 9. — A radio outfit has been placed in the Grange hall for demonstration purposes and on Saturday evening there will be dancing with music by radio. It is anticipated that there will be a large attendance.

Grange Installation.

The Grange will install officers on Saturday. Dinner will be served at noon, after which David Skellie, master of the Pomona Grange, will install. It is hoped that every member who can will be present.

Stork Pays a Visit.

Mr. and Mrs. James Roberts are the proud parents of a son, born December 27. The youngster will answer to the name of Jack Orin.

Brief News Items.

Mrs. Sarah Patrick left last week for Jamacia, where she will spend the remainder of the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Scott Youmans. —Miss Jennie Craig returned on Sunday from a two weeks' stay in New York city. — Louise Clark, who spent a portion of her holiday vacation here, returned on Monday, to her school duties at Hartwick Seminary.—Among those on the sick list recently are Mrs. John Sawyer, Mrs. O. H. Chase, Mrs. William Bidgood, L. D. Clark and John Miller. —Merlin Shepherd of Albany was the guest of his mother, Mrs. Morris Straeder, a part of last week. — Mrs. Everett Best of Bernardston, Massachusetts, arrived Friday for a few days' visit with her sister, Mrs. O. H. Chase. — Mrs. Angie Haynor returned on Saturday to Glens Falls after a two weeks' stay at her home here.

MRS. NAYLOR TO ENTERTAIN

The West Laurens Sewing Circle at Dinner Wednesday Next.

West Laurens, Jan. 9. — The Women's Sewing circle will meet with Mrs. Howard W. Naylor, Wednesday, January 16, for dinner. Everybody invited.

We are in need of pieces for quilts.

Grange to Install.

The West Laurens Grange will hold its regular meeting Saturday evening, January 12, at which time the newly elected officers will be installed by Miss Lulu Lull. All the officers are requested to be present and members are urged to pay their annual dues.

Fruit From Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Dyer recently received a box of Florida oranges and pecans from their daughter, Christine, who is spending the winter at Atlanta, Georgia.

Mrs. Jennie Martindale has also received a box of oranges and grape fruit from her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Martindale of Oneonta, who are spending the winter in Florida. The grape fruit each weighed 5½ lbs. and measured 25 inches in circumfrence.

Mrs. Martindale entertained several friends last Friday evening, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Johnson, where she is spending the winter. The evening was spent in social intercourse, and music, after which delicious refreshments were served.

Personal Notes.

Mrs. Josephine Peet of Morris is spending a few days at the home of her nephew, Elmer Gardner, and with her sister, Mrs. Daruis Gardner. — Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gardner, Mrs. Ida Gutts, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bedford and son, Fred, Jr., of Oneonta, and Mrs. Nettie Bundy and daughter, Nina, of Otego were guests last week at Fred Dyer's. — Mrs. Bert Strait of Morris spent Tuesday with Mrs. George Weeks. — Mrs. Henry Skoglund and two children returned home on Saturday, after spending seven weeks in New York. — Carl J. Peterson has had a Bell telephone installed in his home.

MILFORD BANK OFFICERS.

Directors and Other Officials Named at Annual Meeting.

Milford, Jan. 9.—At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Milford National bank, held Tuesday afternoon, the following directors were elected: Charles J. Armstrong, Frank Green, Cuyler E. Carr, J. S. Traver, S. D. Haight, S. S. Harrison, G. D. Culver, F. L. Platt.

At a subsequent meeting of the directors the following officers were chosen:

President—Charles J. Armstrong.
Vice-president—Frank Green.
Cashier—Fred L. Platt.

The bank has had a very prosperous year. The usual dividend was declared in December.

Fidelity Class Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Fidelity Class of the Methodist Episcopal church will be held on Friday afternoon of this week at 2:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Perry R. Bennett.

We are cutting long stem roses and carnations now, and have a nice variety of potted plants — Delivered anywhere in the city — any time. Derrick, Florist, Theatre building. advt 2t

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MULTI-MILLIONAIRE SCORNS OSTRACISM FOR YOUTH ADOPTED BY HIM AS A SON AFTER MURDER TRIAL

By Josephine Van de Grift.
NEA Service Staff Writer.

Convent, N. J., Jan. 6. — Monell Sayre, 45-year-old bachelor and many times a millionaire, has just adopted as his son and made heir to his millions, a 16-year-old boy upon whose head two years ago rested the stigma of murder.

"It may be the one thing I have lived for," he says and thus does this bachelor, millionaire, churchman characterize his act in giving refuge to a boy whom his native city of Madison, N. J., was persecuting.

The boy is Francis Kluxen, 3rd, henceforth to be known as Francis Kluxen Sayre. He is tall and awkward with the ungainliness of youth, but his mouth has an ingenious smile and his eyes are an untroubled blue.

It was two years ago that the little city of Madison, N. J., was stirred by the brutal murder of 11-year-old Janet Lawrence. Twenty knife wounds were found on the child's body, the deed, apparently, of a maniac.

Accuse Francis.

But tangible clues to the murderer were lacking. The public rage, determined to see punishment done, finally settled on Francis Kluxen, then 14 years old. These were the counts against the lad:

The Kluxen home was near the woods where Janet's body was found.

A handkerchief was found in the woods which bore stitching similar to that on Francis' handkerchief.

The wounds on the child's body might have been made with a knife similar to the Boy Scout knife which Francis carried.

Presented with such evidence as this two grand juries refused to indict the boy. Then a gardener by the name of Frank Jenkins was arrested, tried and acquitted.

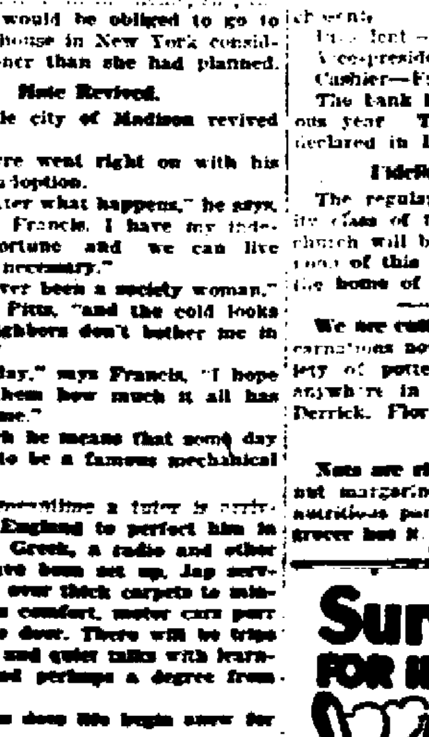
Following this Francis was arrested. The jury acquitted him in 20 minutes.

"I knew I didn't do it and they couldn't prove I did, so why worry?" said Francis, and after that all should have gone well. But—

Francis Kluxen's father, a man in humble circumstances, had used his all to defend the boy. He is today without a job.

School children gathered in little groups and pointed their fingers at Francis. There was no money to send him to school outside the community. People passed him with averted eyes.

One day when Francis was standing with three companions on a lawn shots were fired at him from a passing automobile.



MONELL SAYRE (BELOW) WHO ADOPTED FRANCIS KLUXEN AS HIS SON.

That was when Monell Sayre, executive vice president of the Pension fund of the Episcopal church of America and millionaire vestryman of the Grace Episcopal church of Madison, entered upon the scene. He invited the boy to spend a few days at his home in Convent, which lies just outside of Madison.

"The boy was being persecuted," says Sayre, "and I took him into my home where Francis had tea with the Archbishop of Canterbury and made friends with British statesmen.

Scorned at Church.

Back home again Sayre took measures to adopt the boy. Probably three lines in a newspaper would have been all that the world would ever have known about it if it hadn't been that Francis, who is a Catholic, elected to attend services a couple of Sundays ago at Grace Episcopal church, the church of his foster-father.

The Grace Episcopal congregation was affronted. The Rev. Victor Mori, rector of the church, much disturbed, called his wealthy parishioners about him to consider the situation which had assumed embarrassing proportions.

A neighbor hastily called Mrs. Pitts to inform her that if she insisted on [illegible] neighbor, would be obliged to go to her town house in New York considerably sooner than she had planned.

Hate Revived.

The little city of Madison revived its hate.

But Sayre went right on with his plans for adoption.

"No matter what happens," he says, "I'm with Francis. I have my independent fortune and we can live abroad if necessary."

"I've never been a society woman," says Mrs. Pitts, "and the cold looks of my neighbors don't bother me in the least."

"Some day," says Francis, "I hope to show them how much it all has meant to me."

By which he means that some day he hopes to be a famous mechanical engineer.

In the meantime a tutor is arriving from England to perfect him in Latin and Greek, a radio and other devices have been set up, Jap servants move over thick carpets to minister to his comfort, motor cars purr outside the door. There will be trips to Europe and quiet talks with learned men and perhaps a degree from Oxford.

And thus does life begin anew for Francis.

Just outside the city of Madison, N. J., some enterprising church has put up a sign board. "The blood of Jesus Christ, His son," it says, "cleanseth us from all sin."

The millionaire and his cousin, Mr. and Mrs. Friend-Pitt, learned to love the boy. Sayre took him to England, home to protect him."

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EARLY RETURNS.

It is stated that in the first two days of voting on the Bok International Peace plan, there were 1,296 votes received at headquarters in New York; and that 3,126, or all but 270 are in favor of it. Of course the number of ballots received in this brief interval is naturally small, as compared with what in later days will be forwarded; but the estimate that fifty-five millions of citizens will vote on the proposition, which has been given out by Mr. Bok and his associates may very well be an overestimate. However, it is probable that there will be a large majority for the proposition, both because it seems to run in line with popular sentiment, and because those who agree will be likely more generally to send in their ballots than those who do not. As for the ballots already received, it is fair to intimate that they are not as thoughtful and well-considered as will be those of a later date, since the time between Monday morning and Tuesday afternoon was obviously not long enough for careful reading of the document and weighing of its provisions.

Really there are two classes only who could be expected to get in their votes the first twenty-four — those who approve of any peace plan whatever and those who oppose any such plan soever. These could mark their ballots and send them in without any considerable, perhaps any conscious exercise of thought of anything else except preconceived convictions. But from this time on the votes should and doubtless will be indicative of more study and more impartial reasoning. As above stated, the vote is pretty sure to be strongly in favor of the plan; and it is hoped that it will be a large one, though perhaps a vote from fifty per cent of the population — infant and adult, male and female, is too much to expect. Still the size of the vote will show to what extent the public is taking interest in the proposition, and how great is their desire to end war.

INEVITABLE BATTLE SITE.

The present crisis within the borders of Mexico, our southern neighbor, brings to mind that insurrections in that republic almost necessarily assume two early stages—the seizure of Vera Cruz and a battle near Puebla. A base on the east coast means a necessary link with the outside world, and when an advance is made toward Mexico city the issue is almost certain to be joined. So long ago as 1919, Cortez there battling opened the door for his advance toward the capital of the Montezumas. It was there that the American forces fought the Mexicans in 1847, and at Santa Cruz that the French troops of Maximilian landed in 1862, founding the short-lived kingdom of that unhappy ruler. There, too, ever since, when there have been revolutions, there has been fighting at Cruz Cruz and at Puebla.

It may be that the present conflict may not reach to greater heights than merely internal warfare. The regulars and rebels may largely fight out their battles on the interior table lands, but if ever there is advance of insurgents from the coast, it will doubtless be from Vera Cruz. To some extent at least the war is a waiting one, the thing most wanted being American arms. That this country should not permit shipment of arms to the insurgents is unquestionable; and it is questionable whether it should permit purchase and shipment to the Obregon government. To do so is to take sides effectively if not openly in what is strictly a Mexican difficulty in which the United States is not directly interested.

PEOPLE'S PARLIAMENT.

The Star disclaims all responsibility as regard to the views of correspondents expressed in this column and will not be responsible for endorsing them because publishing them. This column is intended to be for the people's use, the place where all can express their opinions on public topics. The communication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer. If requested, these will not be published, however.

Magazine Solicitors.

January 9, 1924.

Editor Star:

Several men soliciting magazine subscriptions in Oneonta claim to be ex-service men and will doubtless use that claim to arouse the sympathy of prospective subscribers. They requested me to give them a letter endorsing their claim, as they have obtained similar letters of endorsement from ex-service men's organizations in other communities. After questioning them carefully about particulars of their service overseas, and checking up their stories of their adventures and the engagements which they claim to have participated in, etc., with other overseas men, I decided not to give them the letters of endorsement they requested.

Lyman S. DeLaMater,
Commander, Oneonta Post, No. 235,
American Legion.

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[illegible] 1923 people and [illegible] may be used until [illegible] of February, if police officers [illegible] on requests from [illegible] commissioner Robert J. [illegible] New York motor vehicle laws issued by [illegible] Valentine Blue [illegible] have showed up the [illegible] to such on extensive [illegible] responsible to cover [illegible] and all this

CONCERNING PEACE PLAN

The Senate Will Oppose.

There is little hope that the plan which has won Mr. Bok's prize will overcome the opposition now existant in the United States senate, unless the public demonstration in favor of it assumes tremendous proportions. It cannot command the support of Senator Johnson, or of Senator Borah, or of Senator Lodge. Those who are against joining the World court with the Hughes reservations, merely because it is "the League court" cannot be expected readily to "accept the League 'as an instrument of mutual counsel,' even with Articles 10 and 16 wholly removed from the covenant, as this plan contemplates. Mr. Lodge will have to be born again before he will consent to placing his country in a position where it will "participate in the work" of the council and the assembly of the league on the assumption that no substitute can now be found or created for the organization that holds the field.—[Springfield Republican.

The Peace Plan.

Let it be said at once that Mr. Edward Bok's prize for a peace plan has ceased to be open to ridicule. Any man from now on who seeks merely to make fun of it will make himself ridiculous. A scheme which has gained weight and dignity by the names and counsel of Elihu Root, John W. Davis, Judge Learned Hand, General Harbord, Governor Miller, Colonel House and honorable women not a few, is no longer fair game for flippant humorists. Whatever else may be said of the Bok prize and its award, announced today, no one can deny that it has already been of great use in freshening discussion of an old subject. Merely as a device to stir and inform public opinion, in a country ruled by public opinion, the whole affair is already an achieved and creditable success.—[New York Times.

The Winner of Bok Peace Prize.

The winner of the $100,000 Bok prize for the best plan for American co-operation with other nations to preserve the peace of the world will get easy money. "This is a cinch," he said to himself, looking over the Bok named committee. "Why, every one is an internationalist and a League of Nations fan. It's a frame—what you call in court trials a packed jury. And why shouldn't it be? Why should Bok blow in $100,000 on just a plain nut idea? Of course he isn't doing anything of the kind and a hundred to one it isn't all his money anyway. He is just one of the bunch.

"This thing is all propaganda—a League of Nations propaganda, that's what it is—a very clever stunt, and it's all to the good for me, for I am going to plunge on The League of Nations as my plan for preserving peace. There isn't anything else to it. The answer of the committee is as good as in now."—[New York Herald.

Babcock Test Examination.

The Department of Farms and Markets announces that an examination will be held for those desiring to obtain licenses to test milk and cream by the Babcock method, at the State School of Agriculture, Delhi, on Thursday, January 17, from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m.

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That Body of Yours

By James W. Barton, M.D.

A SIMPLE LESSON.

There was an interesting article in the paper the other day regarding a new industry established in Holland.

Some experimenter had discovered that by the use of heat and pressure, he could transform soft wood into hard wood. The fibres in the wood which enclosed the air and water spaces were thus brought closer together, making a beautiful grain, just like hardwood.

I could not help but think that the very same processes, heat and pressure, are exactly what is used to make hard, firm muscle out of soft, fat flesh in the human body.

And so a well developed man will show the same beautiful grain — muscle—as is shown in the wood. Both are objects of strength and beauty. Now, what do I mean by heat and pressure as applied to the body? Well, the actual heating up of [illegible] ules, that cover and are in around the muscles, and the muscle emerges in its natural form—fibres.

This heating up can be done by the extreme heat of a Turkish bath and other mechanical devices, or by the more efficient method of exercise. When you exercise, the first thing you notice is the increase in the heat of the body.

But exercise goes further. It actually supplies the pressure also to that part of your body robed in fat, and squeezes the little fat globules out of existence.

I have known many cases where the simple exercise of lying on the back and raising both legs slowly—knees straight—to a height almost at right angles to the body a dozen times, twice a day, has reduced the waist line two to three inches in one month.

Where the exercise is kept up for some weeks the hard abdominal muscles underneath can be felt by the hand, and in a few months the actual muscles themselves will show through the skin.

These muscles show up as three distinct ridges across the abdomen, and resemble the corrugations on a wash board.

This same squeezing or exercising of any part of the body will give the same results.

Simply bending or squeezing the forearm, or upper arm, will take the fat off the arms.

Sitting down on the heels and rising again will remove the surplus fat from the thighs.

Bending, twisting, or squeezing the neck will remove double chins. It is so very simple and will bring results every time.

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January 10, 1894.

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George I. Wilber, S. R. Barnes, A. E. Wilber, R. D. Baird, E. A. Scramling, Albert B. Tobey, Irving H. Rowe, Albert Morris and John R. Skinner have been elected directors of the Wilber National bank.

Martha chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, has installed following officers: W. M. — Mrs. Addie Ostrander; W. P. — James R. Gerling; A. M. — Mrs. Anna Spencer; treasurer, Mrs. Hattie Miller; secretary, Mrs. Alta Jackson; conductress, Mrs. Ophelia Vanderwalker; assistant conductress, [illegible] Mary Pratt; trustee, Floyd Harris; organist, Miss Alice Pratt; warder, Mrs. Nettie Bartow; sentinel, Fred Schwaninger; Adah, Mrs. Jennie Smith; Ruth, Mrs. Firman; Esther, Mrs. Mattie Gerling; Martha, Mrs. Emily Cain; Electa, Mrs. Floyd Harris; marshal, Mrs. Anna Bryden.

January 10, 1894.

Frank Gould, Frank D. Miller, M. L. Keyes, A. L. Mendel and M. L. Ford have been elected directors of the Oneonta Gas company.

Collector C. H. Coon is having considerable trouble in collecting the dog tax of the town. The other day he was obliged to accept hens and chickens as payment of the tax.

At the recent joint meeting of the Delphic and Clionian societies of the Normal school the following officers were elected: President, L. W. Herrick; vice-president, Mrs. Carpenter; treasurer, C. J. Patton.

At the annual meeting yesterday of the stockholders of the First National bank the following were re-elected directors: Ransom Mitchell, W. T. Keyes, W. H. Parker, J. D. Keyes, G. H. Butts, H. P. Keyes and M. L. Keyes. At a subsequent meeting of the directorate the following officers were chosen: President, Ransom Mitchell; vice-president, W. T. Keyes; cashier, M. L. Keyes; assistant cashier, E. C. Slade.

THE GUIDE POST— BY HENRY VAN DYKE

THE SEVENTH SENSE

"Seeing Him Who is Invisible." — Heb. 11:27.

We live in a strange and mysterious universe, with certain faculties to help us to a comprehension of it.

First, we have the five senses, and they tell us how things look, and taste, and sound, and smell, and feel.

Then we have the reasoning powers, and they enable us to discover how things are related to each other, how causes are followed by effects, how great laws control their action and reaction.

But is there not something beyond this, a depth below the deep and a height beyond the height?

Every instinct of our nature assures us that there must be.

The lesson of modern thought is the limitation of science and philosophy.

But outside of this narrow circle lie the truths that we must desire and need to know.

In that unexplored world dwells God.

Why should we hesitate to confess that we must have another and a higher faculty of knowledge?

The astronomer has keen eyes, but he knows their limitation, and he does no discredit to them when he uses the telescope to bring near the unseen stars.

The entomologist has quick sight, but he does not disparage it when he turns on the microscope to search a drop of water for its strange, numberless forms of life.

Reason is excellent and forceful, but beyond its boundaries there is a realm which can only be discovered by faith.

Where science ends, where philosophy pauses, faith begins.

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WORK OF CHAMBER OUTLINED

Scope of Commercial Organization and Its Service to Community Described — Its Tasks Undone if No Organization Exists.

Probably the most authorized definition of the modern Chamber of Commerce is that which was recently promulgated by one of the leading commercial organizations in the country. It is as follows:

"A Chamber of Commerce is an organization through which public spirited citizens in a community may express themselves collectively on questions of community welfare, and through which they may make their collective desires effective. It is based upon the well recognized principle that more can be accomplished by working together for a common purpose than by individual effort."

Contrary to common belief, the Chamber of Commerce or local organization, as developed during the last decade, does not apply most of its energies to the promotion of business. Such organizations, especially in the smaller cities, now devote nearly two-thirds of their energies and resources to civil affairs, to those things which develop good citizenship and healthful environment, such as schools, playgrounds, housing, streets and parks, libraries, Vocational education, pure water, municipal utilities, public markets, garbage and ash disposal, public health, city planning and municipal sanitation.

Broadly speaking, the modern Chamber of Commerce is a body of men and women, acting in their capacity as progressive citizens, not as the representatives of any special group or class, and devoted to the material and cultural advancement of the whole community.

In promoting civic advancement the Chamber of Commerce must necessarily further the commerical advancement of the community, in order that its commerce shall keep pace with the progress and growth that is bound to result from its efforts for civic promotion. A progressive and cultured population will demand carefully conducted, properly maintained and attractively arranged business establishments.

Therefore, it is an important function of the commercial organization to encourage modern methods in conducting such establishments.

Space will not permit detailed descriptions of the various services that can be rendered to merchants, but a brief mention of some of them will suffice to indicate their scope. In small communities particularly, commercial rating and credit reporting bureaus have been proved to be worth many times their cost to merchant members. Fashion or style shows and special trade days promoted along up to date lines have been most successful. Cooperative delivery systems have been organized and conducted at great saving to business men. In some small cities the arbitration of disputes between business men and customers have been effectively instituted. The control, through co-operative action, of fraudulent and unprofitable advertising and the inauguration of methods of prevention of shoplifting and the passing of fraudulent checks are other functions that have proved practicable and effective and have resulted in considerable savings to merchants.

A service of incalculable benefit to all citizens of any community is the investigation of and the issuance of reports concerning charitable and social welfare organizations.

Having pointed out what may be termed the selfish advantages that come from a commercial organization, it would seem worth while, in closing, to quote a very broad and unselfish statement made by a speaker at a gathering of commercial organization secretaries, who said:

The Chamber of Commerce standing alone, without anything except its organization, is worth all that it ever costs. The Chamber of Commerce is the watchower of opportunity to the city, simply to anticipate perils, but for the purpose of recognizing opportunities for internal improvements of all sorts. Just as the man standing on the top of a mountain looking towards the east will catch the first rays of the rising sun long before the people in the valley know the sun is coming up at all, so the Chamber of Commerce will see opportunities for the city long before the men engaged in the commerce of the city will know the opportunity is coming."

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LOCAL MENTION

—The Main street mushroom traffic lights at the corners of Dietz street and at Ford avenue have been lighted.

—Probably the first summer swimmer of this year is Arthur Boston who yesterday took a dip in the Oar, popular swimming hole of the Susquehanna river.

—LaVern Hotchkiss has opened a barber shop in connection with Henry Peebles' billiard parlor and lunch room in the Southern New York Power and Electric corporation building at West End.

—James R. Brown, representing the Manhattan Single Tax club, an organization founded by Henry George, will address the Rotary club at its luncheon today upon, "Foolish Things that Wise Men Do."

—Donald H. Grant, Allen E. Risedorph, Damon L. Getman and Richard P. Doyle were elected to resident membership in the Oneonta club at the mid-winter smoker held last evening. The smoker was largely attended and much enjoyed.

—There were 45 children present at the story hour yesterday afternoon at the Huntington Memorial library. Miss Dorothy H. Staples had charge of the hour, telling the stories of "Little Black Sambo" and "The Cat and the Parrot," and reciting "Charlie and His Kitten Topsy."

—Recruiting Sergeant Harry Dienst has accepted for enlistment in the United States cavalry Francis Elphinstone of 5½ Fairview street, this city. Mr. Elphinstone will sail on January 15 on the transport St. Mihiel for Monterey, California, where he will be stationed.

ONEONTA SOCIETY DINNER

Many Residents Planning to Attend Banquet of Oneontans in New York —Hon. D. F. Wilber to Speak.

Among those from Oneonta who will attend the banquet of the Oneonta Society of New York and Vicinity are Hon. D. F. Wilber, who will speak, retiring Mayor C. C. Miller, George Gibbs, Charles Smith, president of the society, E. L. Sellers, and Fred N. VanWie. While most of them will travel by train, it is known that at least one party will attempt the journey by automobile.

The dinner will be served in the John W. Gates suite of the Waldorf-Astoria at 6:30 o'clock sharp. Preceding the banquet there will be a reception, planned to be even more enjoyable than those of past years, from 5 o'clock, which it is hoped that all will plan to attend.

Besides Mr. Wilber, Dr. F. J. Monaghan, health commissioner of New York city, will speak. Dr. Monaghan is a former resident of this vicinity and in spite of the arduous duties of his office has definitely promised that he is going to make every effort to meet some of his friends who were, or are, residents of this city.

Reservations are being made at $3.25 per plate and all who can possibly attend are urged to send their checks immediately to Henry Tobey, 233 Broadway, New York city.

WEEK OF PRAYER.

Dr. Farley Addresses Union Service—Dr. Russell Tonight.

At the union Week of Prayer service held by the city churches at the Lutheran church last evening, Rev. E. J. Farley of the First Baptist addressed a very good sized audience on the subject "Listening to God." The services are gaining momentum and those for the balance of the week are expected to continue the increasing interest.

This evening Dr. J. C. Russell of the First Presbyterian church will speak in the First Baptist church on "The Gospel Feast." The usual mid week prayer service of the churches in the union movement will of course be suspended for this week.

In his sermon last evening, Rev. Dr. Farley brought out four points under the text taken from Hebrews, 3:7-8, on the subject "Listening to God." The speaker mentioned the great blessing which we may enjoy in heeding the voice of our Father, the great sin of failing to follow His advice, the danger of closing our hearts to Him in failing to respond, and the importance of the moment, now, than which there is no other time.

Meetings Today.

Regular meetings of Maccabees tonight, in K. of P. hall, at 8 o'clock. Installation of officers.

Regular meeting of the G. I. A. this afternoon at 2 o'clock in Odd Fellows' hall. Installation of officers. Omit refreshments.

All members of the G. I. A. will meet at the home of Mrs. Catherine Dimmick, 13 Church street, at 1:30 o'clock today to attend the funeral of Sister Owen.

The business men's gymnasium class will meet at 7:30 o'clock this evening.

Two Fast Games at Armory Tonight.

Two good basketball games at the armory tonight. Preliminary at 7:30 p. m. St. James' five vs. Cooperstown Independent Juniors. Main event at 8:30 p. m., Company G vs. Company F of Walton. Dancing with music by Lynn Smith and his orchestra will follow games. Admission, including dancing: Adults 35c, children under 14, 10c. advt 1t

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CITY WATER SUPPLY PURE

Very Satisfactory Report Received From State Health Department —Slight Taste Harmless.

That the Oneonta water supply is of a high standard of purity and that the slight disagreeable taste which many have noticed is perfectly harmless and can be eliminated as soon as the ice leaves the reservoirs is the gratifying information contained in a report just received by Health Officer George W. Augustin from the division of sanitation of the state department of health. The report resulted from an inspection of the system and careful tests of the water made by a representative from the state department on December 13 upon the request of Dr. Augustin.

The disagreeable taste arises from the presence in the reservoirs of algae growth. These algae are entirely removed by the process of filtration but the taste and slight odor remain. Health Officer Augustin and Superintendent Hoyt have been aware of the cause for some time and Mr. Hoyt has applied the standard relief, the use of copper sulphate, but not in large quantities. This substance is poisonous and if used in large quantities kills the fish, whose dead bodies, if not removed immediately, might pollute the water. It is the belief of Superintendent Hoyt that this substance should be used only under the direction of an expert chemist. The taste is absolutely harmless, however, and the water so free from contamination of any description that Dr. Augustin has been unable to trace a single case of illness to the water supply.

The report has the following to say in regard to the purity of the water: "The results of the bacterial examination show a very low total count with the entire removal of intestinal organisms in all of the volumes examined, indicating that the purification plant was being operated in an effective manner and that the supply being delivered to the consumers was of a safe and satisfactory sanitary quality at the time of the collection of the samples."

The report states that the water department has carried out the previous recommendations of the state health department in all respects and is very complimentary in its reference to the efficiency of those in charge of the city's water supply. The recommendations made are very similar to those made by Superintendent Hoyt in his annual report to the water commission, published in these columns some days ago.

SCOUT DRIVE PROGRESSING

Movement for Otsego-Schoharie Boy Scout Council Meeting with General Approval.

The reports given yesterday by those who are canvassing for the $2,100 required to meet Oneonta's share of the budget necessary for the establishment of a Boy Scout Council for Otsego and Schoharie counties indicate that citizens of Oneonta realize the necessity of the Council if Scouting is not to die out completely in the city and county.

Figures as to the amount of money already pledged are not as yet available but it is understood that the response of the majority of those seen has been hearty. The canvass is being undertaken by between forty and fifty members of the Rotary and Kiwanis clubs and the American Legion and by nearly the same number of members of the Woman's club.

The following explanation by E. K. Jordan, the representative of the national Boy Scout council, may serve to make clear the exact nature of the objects and aims of the council.

1. Make the Scout program available to the greatest number of boys possible.

2. Place scouting on a firm, permanent basis in the county;

3. Conduct field days, rallies, demonstrations which will encourage the Scouts to do their best;

4. Standardize the Scout test. Each Scout to meet the same requirement as every other test.

5. Establish a central camp and develop it for all Scouts of both counties.

6. Train Scout leaders.

Through this council, said he, scouting will be given the leadership which is essential to success and without which the best results cannot be obtained.

In the past, each troop has functioned independently under local supervision with little or no contact with other troops and thus in many cases their activities have been short lived. An exchange of ideas, competition, definite standards and an organization such as this county council gives are essential to the permanency of the individual troop. The services of a full-time trained executive are required. He is held responsible for the carrying out of the policies of the council. Under his leadership the whole organization is coordinated, the volunteer members of the council and the scout masters receive instruction and mutually help in the work of their positions and thus Scouting becomes more efficient.

A DISTINGUISHED HONOR.

Chauncey W. Herrick Appointed National Chief of Staff, S. W. V.

The last bulletin of the United Spanish War Veterans of the State of New York announces the appointment of Chauncey W. Herrick as chief of staff, national headquarters of that order. This is the highest appointive office within the gift of the commander-in-chief, and is no small honor to be conferred upon the department of New York, and on Col. Walter Scott camp of Oneonta, of which the new appointee is a member.

Mr. Herrick, who has for several years been connected with the revenue service of the United States, is now located in New York city. He now has general supervision of the collection offices of the New York state district.

Amateur dance of the series which is being held by the paid firemen of the city will be held in Municipal hall on Friday evening. You don't want to miss it. advt 1t

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MUMBULO HELD ON ARSON CHARGE

ORA L. MUMBULO OF BINGHAMTON ARRESTED BY STATE TROOPERS AND SIGNS STATEMENT

Man Comes Into Possession of House at Death of His Mother and Burns It for Insurance Within an Hour— Alleged Crime Took Place in November of Last Year — Held for Grand Jury.

Yesterday Ora L. Mumbulo of 455 Chenango street, Binghamton, was arraigned before Justice Wightman of Morris on a charge of arson in the second degree and he was taken to Cooperstown last night to await the sitting of the next grand jury. The man was arrested at his home on Tuesday by First Sergeant J. J. Montgomery and Trooper W. O. Packard of Troop C, state police, and later that day the man signed a statement practically confessing to the crime of burning a house on the Joseph Mumbulo farm about two miles from the village of Morris in the town of Pittsfield on November 24 of last year.

Mumbulo was the only surviving near relative of his mother, Mrs. Jane A. Mumbulo, who died at the home of Chester Fields in Afton on November 24, 1923, and practically came into possession of the farm house on her death. While the undertaker was still in the Fields home, caring for the body, Mumbulo, according to the statement, was driven to the property near Morris by Fields, and the former set the building on fire, hoping to realize on the insurance which was carried to the extent of $800 and which would have netted $600, since the house had not been occupied for at least a year.

While Fields protests that he did not realize that he was committing any crime in driving his father-in-law, Mumbulo, on the errand, he is being held as a material witness at the county jail.

Mumbulo is an employe of the Binghamton Chair company and has always borne a good reputation in that city. He has a wife and four children and says that at the time he set fire to the building he was hard pressed by several creditors with additional expenses facing him. Fields, also, had apparently carried a good name.

Suspicious circumstances were found to have surrounded the fire by First Sergeant Montgomery and Trooper Packard when they were called in on the case on Sunday last, but few clues were available. Their quick work in finding the guilty party and securing a confession is to be commended.

Adrian A. Pierson represented the office of the district attorney in the proceeding before Justice Wightman yesterday.

POND TO BE CLEARED OF SNOW

Park Commission Has Scrapers and High School Boys Will Work.

Dr. George J. Dann, city superintendent of schools, has interested himself in the matter of skating at the lake at Neahwa park for the youngsters and in fact all residents. An investigation yesterday disclosed that the park commission has constructed scrapers and other tools for clearing the ice and these are kept in the tool house at the park ready for use. An employe of the park department will be at the tool house between 8 a. m. and 5 p. m. daily and the tools may be secured of him.

Dr. Dann will arrange that High school boys shall look after clearing the snow from the ice and it is anticipated that there will be no more difficulty in having the ice clear of snow for skaters.

The question of having electric lights about the lake evenings for skaters is being investigated and it is hoped that this can be accomplished before many days elapse so that the young people can skate there with safety evenings.

It is believed that the coming summer should see the tennis courts illuminated so that their use can be made available for those who are too busily employed to participate in the game during the day time hours. Then, too, there should be lights leading to the ball park, as it is not improbable that another summer will witness a twilight league of baseball.

CALIFORNIA MALE QUARTETTE.

Excellent Program Promised for Concert at Elks' Home Friday.

That the concert to be given at the Elks' home on Friday evening by the California Male quartet as the second number of the Elks entertainment series will be one of decided merit is indicated by the program which appears below:

Quartet — Soldier's Chorus (Faust).
Scene from Faust (Faust).
Second Tenor — Down in the Forest.
Quartet — Dr. Sandman (Protheroe).
Close Harmony (O'Hara).
Trio — Love Sends a Little Gift of Roses. Thomas, Forsythe and Lince.
Baritone — Scotch Characterizations.
Duo — Two Gendarmes (Offenback).
Thomas and Lince.
Quartet — I Love a Little Cottage.
Carry Me Back to Old Virginny.
Neal Lince and Quartet.
Quartet — On The Sea. Star of Love (D. Buck).
First Tenor — The Spirit Flower.
Quartet — Negro Spirituals.
Duo — Little Gray Home in the West.
Thomas and Forsythe.
Basso — The Horn.
Quartet — Bells of St. Mary; Honey, I Want You Now.
Quartet — Brahms' "Lullaby" or I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes, or Beethoven's Creation Hymn. (Sacred).

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KIWANIS CLUB

Harry D. Wheeler Tells How the "Big 'Uns" Are Caught in Labrador.

There were about sixty members and guests present yesterday at the weekly Kiwanis luncheon at the Elks' club. In the absence of L. E. Wilder, the duly designated chairman for the day, Frank C. Huntington satisfactorily acted in that capacity, accumulating only a few ten-cent fines for calling members out of their familiar club names.

There was the usual fine musical program, patriotic at beginning and end, and mirthful and sentimental in between; and the guests of the day, who were: Henry T. Hang of Poughkeepsie, F. M. Tyson of Unadilla, Curtis Smith of Binghamton, and Charles H. Bowdish and Andrew B. Saxton of Oneonta, were felicitously introduced by their hosts. Two new members, Hon D. F. Wilber and D. A. Diefendorf, were formally announced. Mr. Diefendorf was unable to be present, but Mr. Wilber briefly and happily thanked the club for the honor.

The talk of the afternoon was by Harry D. Wheeler, his theme being "Fishing off the Coast of Labrador." Mr. Wheeler, accompanied by two others, neither of them, unfortunately, present, made the Labrador trip last summer; and his experiences going and coming and fishing for the "big 'uns" after he got there, held everybody's attention, particularly his narrative of Mr. Franklin's 15-pounder that, being reeled in carefully, made a rush and jump, landing squarely in the boat; and that of his own catch—an 11-pounder—which, after hooking, he chased two miles down stream, before it became disgusted and with one big rush came ashore of its own account, landing far up the sandy beach.

Altogether it was a very pleasant gathering, and three-score of the sixty present, being fishermen themselves, were delighted with Mr. Wheeler's pleasantly informal address.

HEADQUARTERS IN ONEONTA

New Health District of Otsego, Delaware and Chenango Created.

Intelligence was received in Oneonta yesterday of the creation by the state health department of a new health district composed of the counties of Otsego, Delaware and Chenango and of the assignment of Dr. Ferdinand O. Reinhard as health officer for this district.

Dr. Reinhard will have his headquarters in Oneonta and will probably have his office with Dr. George W. Augustin, city health officer. The assignment is effective as of January 1.

Previous to the establishment of this new district Otsego was in the district of Dr. Ball of Utica, Chenango in that of Dr. Sears of Syracuse and Delaware in that of Dr. Laidlaw of Middletown. The new district should result in more efficiency and greater service to the inhabitants of the three counties.

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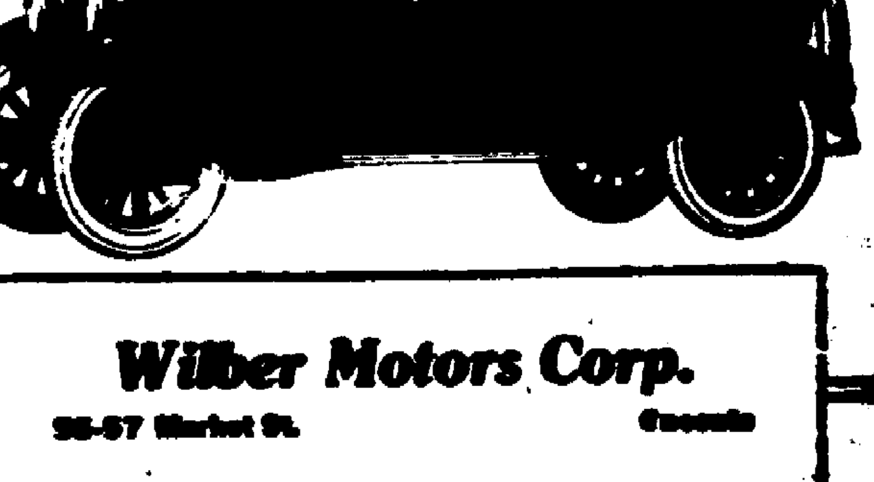

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Hostilities Commence!

Brigadier General Butler of the marine corps is searing the underworld of Philadelphia by his clean up methods. He is shown here taking the oath of office administered by Mayor W. Freeland Kendrick.

COUNTRY CLUB OFFICERS

Dr. C. F. Baylis Succeeds O. B. Rowe As President of the Board of Directors — J. F. Thompson Now a Director.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Oneonta Country club held at the Municipal building last evening, W. F. Eggleston, O. B. Rowe, R. C. Briggs and H. M. Goldsmith were re-elected to succeed themselves as directors and J. F. Thompson was chosen as the fifth one of the group to be elected this year.

At a subsequent meeting of the directors the following officers were chosen for the year:

President—Dr. C. F. Baylis.
Vice president—Roscoe C. Briggs.
Sec.-treas.—Charles F. Shelland.

Dr. Baylis has been an enthusiastic members of the club since its organization and has always taken a lively interest in its success and prosperity and will make an excellent president. He succeeds O. B. Rowe, who has been president for two years and has given painstaking attention to the affairs of the club and proven very efficient as president.

The club's affairs are in excellent condition and with the increased dues it is believed that the club can be maintained and improved in various ways.

Does County Clerk Get Fee?

The question of the fees received by county treasurers for license plates is being investigated by the Boards of Supervisors in Onondaga and Herkimer counties. The law providing for the distribution of licenses plates states that the county clerk is entitled to a fee of ten cents for each set of license plates issued; but the law creating the office of county clerk in Onondaga county in 1893 makes it a salaried office and direct that all fees received by him be turned over to the county treasurer. The same is true in Herkimer. Whether this rule covers fees for license plates is the question. It is said that on this point the attorney general has ruled in the negative.

Bargain in seven room cottage, 7th. down. Square Deal Agency. A. R. Stillman. advt 3t.

Lost—December 24, about 10 p. m. a W. O. M. L. fez cap, with owner's name inside. Finder please return to Star office or call 1025-W2. advt 2t.

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LEGION ESSAY PRIZES.

Oneonta Post Doubles Amount Offered—Volunteers for Scout Drive.

The amount of the cash prices offered each year by Oneonta post of the American Legion for the best essays submitted by Oneonta school children was raised from $15 to $30 at the meeting of the post held Tuesday evening in K. of P. hall. The larger sum will enable prizes to be given to pupils in the eighth grades of both the public and Normal schools as well as to High school pupils.

An appeal was made for volunteers to aid in the drive for the Otsego-Schoharie Boy Scout council and several Legionnaires offered their assistance. The sum of five dollars was appropriated by the post for the work of the Otsego County Tuberculosis and Public Health association.

It was announced that Dr. George W. Augustin and Rev. J. A. Judge would attend the district conference to be held at Cortland the last of this month. An invitation was read from the Legion auxiliary for all Legionnaires to attend as guests of the auxiliary an oyster supper to be held on January 29, the date set for the installation of the auxiliary officers.

Following the meeting a delicious repast of oyster stew and rolls was provided by the mess sergeant, his action meeting with the enthusiastic approval of the ex-bucks and gobs. A generous portion found its way to The Star office and was greatly enjoyed and appreciated.

Fair Association to Meet.

The thirty-sixth annual convention of the New York State Association of County Agricultural societies will be held at Albany on Thursday, January 17. The New York Association of Union Town Agricultural societies will meet the same day and in the afternoon the two organizations will hold a joint session.

farms and markets; James A. Hamilton, secretary of state, and other prominent men will speak. An important place on the program is given to round table discussion. A banquet will be given in the evening.

Funeral Of Mrs. J. E. Owen.

Funeral services for the late Mrs. John Edwin Owen, whose death was noted in The Star of yesterday morning, will be held at the family home, 21 Church street, at 2 o'clock this (Thursday) afternoon. Rev. Dr. Flynn of the First Methodist Episcopal church will officiate, and the body will be placed in the vault in the Plains mausoleum for later interment.

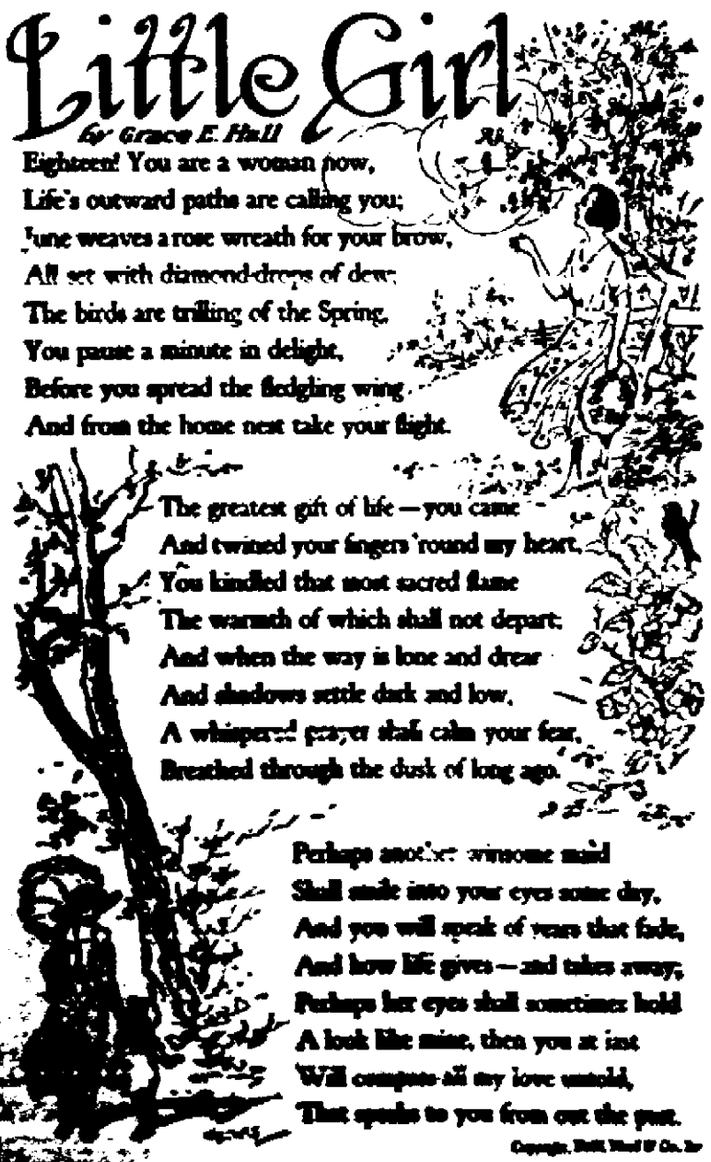
Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank the friends and neighbors for their kindness during the illness and death of our beloved mother, also for the flowers.

Lacell Graig and family.
Miss Jessie Graig.
Mrs. Susie Kiff and family.
Mrs. W. H. Carr.
Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Cunningham and family.
Mrs. A. L. Johnson.
Harry Graig.

Little Girl

by Grace E. Hall



Eighteen! You are a woman now,
Life's outward paths are calling you;
June weaves a rose wreath for your brow,
All set with diamond-drops of dew;
The birds are trilling of the Spring,
You pause a minute in delight,
Before you spread the fledgling wing
And from the home nest take your flight.

The greatest gift of life—you came
And twined your fingers 'round my heart.
You kindled that most sacred flame
The warmth of which shall not depart;
And when the way is lone and drear
And shadows settle dark and low,
A whispered prayer shall calm your fear,
Breathed through the dusk of long ago.

Perhaps another winsome maid
Shall smile into your eyes some day,
And you will speak of years that fade,
And how life gives—and takes away;
Perhaps her eyes shall sometimes hold
A look like mine, then you at last
Will compute all my love untold,
That spoke to you from out the past.

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MRS. GEORGE H. COUSE DEAD

Daughter of the Late Joseph Fisher Who Years Ago Conducted Tollgate on Charlotte Turnpike at East Oneonta.

Celestia D. Fisher, wife of George H. Couse of Binghamton, both former residents of Oneonta, died at the family home in the former city Tuesday night after a long illness, aged 64 years. Funeral services are to be held from the home this (Thursday) evening and the body is to be brought to this city on the 9:15 a. m. train on Friday morning. Dr. Charles S. Pendleton of the Main street Baptist church of which the deceased was a member, will conduct a prayer service from the undertaking rooms of H. A. Lewis at 11 o'clock, and interment will be made in Glenwood cemetery.

Mrs. Couse was the daughter of the late Joseph Fisher, who for years conducted the toll gate, which long ago stood on the old Charlotte turnpike between what is now East End and Emmons and in the tollgate house she lived as a child for years. Older residents still recalled her as a pretty black-eyed, rosy-cheeked girl playing about the toll gate.

She was united in marriage with Mr. Couse about 40 years ago. She continued to reside here until about 15 years ago when he was transferred to Binghamton, he having long been an engineer on the Susquehanna division of the D. & H. and formerly pulling one of the passenger trains between Oneonta and Albany. When the engineers assignments were changed and he required to run through they removed to Binghamton. About a year since she suffered a stroke and since he has cared for her to a large extent, he having been retired on a pension.

Mrs. Couse is survived by her husband, and five brothers, Louis and Stephen A. Fisher of Binghamton, Albert Fisher of Great Bend, Pa., John Fisher of Hallstead, Pa., and Burt Fisher of Cooperstown, engineer on the Cooperstown branch.

SHELDON MERENESS DIES.

Long Resident of Worcester Stricken with Apoplexy—Funeral Friday.

Worcester, Jan. 9. — Many friends were grieved to learn of the death of Sheldon Mereness, which occurred at his home in this village at 11:30 o'clock last evening, following an illness of only a few hours. He was on the street last evening, apparently in good health, returning home about 9 o'clock. He went to the woodhouse for wood, and was stricken with apoplexy and died about three hours later without gaining consciousness.

Isaac Sheldon Mereness, son of Isaac and Sarah (Bingham) Mereness, was born March 29, 1843, at Ames, Montgomery county. In 1881 he moved from Sharon to Worcester and for 30 years or more was one of the most prosperous farmers in this vicinity. About 10 years ago he left the farm and came to the village to reside.

Mr. Mereness is survived by his wife, Mary Blair; one son, DeWayn; one daughter, Mrs. John Rock; six grandchildren; one great-grandchild; brother, Charles, who resides in Florida, and a sister, Mrs. Hunt, of South New Berlin.

day at 1 o'clock from the house. Rev. R. F. Lesh of the Methodist church will officiate.

Benefit for Parochial School Fund.

About $50 was realized yesterday afternoon through the tea with cards which was held in the hall of St. Mary's church by several ladies of the parish for the benefit of the parochial school fund of that church. The hall was attractively decorated and was the scene of a very enjoyable party. The prizes were awarded to Miss Sally Doyle for bridge, to Mrs. Margaret Robilliard, for five-hundred, and to Mrs. John Monahan for euchre. During the afternoon a very pleasing solo was given by Miss Irene Hays, accompanied by Miss Doris Hanlon.

The hostesses: Mrs. Peter Keegan, Mrs. John Slattery, Mrs. W. I. LaBeau, Mrs. M. F. Leamy, Mrs. C. R. McCarthy, and Mrs. John G. Johnson, were assisted by the following ladies: Mrs. James Conroy of Albany, Mrs. C. R. Brand, Mrs. Clyde Goddard, Mrs. T. Dooley, Mrs. A. C. Woodard, Mrs. Hunt, Mrs. Richard Purcell, Mrs. E. DesNoyers, Mrs. M. Hurley, Mrs. John Morrison, Miss Sally Doyle, Mrs. Allan Cragin, Mrs. Earl Crowley, Mrs. M. Walsh, Mrs. James Torpey, Mrs. John Doyle, Mrs. H. Cook, and the Misses Katherine Finley, Dora Gilmartin, Mary Burke, and Mary Doyle.

Mrs. Della T. Lutes Advanced.

Many friends of Mrs. Della Thompson Lutes, formerly editor of Today's Housewife and other magazines published by the Cooperstown Press, has been advanced to the position of housekeeping editor of Modern Priscilla, with which she has been connected since leaving Cooperstown. This appointment carries with it the directorship of the Priscilla Proving plant, an institution very similar to the Today's Housewife Testing Home and occupying a delightful house on Commonwealth avenue, Center Newton, Mass. Miss Miss Ethel A. Wright who has also been connected with Modern Priscilla since leaving Cooperstown, has been made hostess manager of the Proving Plant. (Cooperstown Journal.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS.

Otsego and Delaware Assemblymen Given Desirable Designations.

Speaker Machold in announcing his committee appointments for the session of 1924 on Monday evening gave desirable assignments to the assemblymen from Otsego and Delaware counties and positions that were certain to them.

Dr. J. C. Smith of Otsego, because of his longer term of service, is named close up to the chairman of each of the following committees: internal affairs, affairs of villages, public health.

Dr. E. H. Lawton of Sidney is named on three committees also agriculture, military affairs and public health.

Assemblyman Fake of Schoharie is assigned to labor and industries and to printed and engrossed bills.

Let's have something hot to drink some delicious Rosa tea. It has the most wonderful [illegible]

[illegible] progress for showers and teas, 10 cents per bundle of 40, at The Star office. tf

Personal

Samuel Johnson spent yesterday at Sidney.

Mr. and Mrs. Willett Noer of East Worcester were in Oneonta yesterday.

Mrs. F. P. Knapp of this city spent Wednesday with friends in East Worcester.

Porter M. Dunham of Worcester was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

Mrs. Wesley Powers is visiting her sister, Mrs Charles S. Lawyer, of Saranac Lake.

Mrs. Hattie Munson is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Harry B. Seese, at Pittsfield, Mass.

R. R. Mackey of 428 Main street, this city, is in Cobleskill on business for a day or two.

Miss Harriet Bissell of 84 Chestnut street spent yesterday with Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Winne of Worcester.

Mrs. Ora Eaton of East End is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. G. A. Perkins, in Binghamton, for a few days.

Clifford Salisbury and father, B. M. Salisbury, of Maryland, spent Wednesday in Binghamton on business errands.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Twist of 29 Luther street are guests for a few days of Mrs. Estelle VanDeusen of Richmondville.

Mrs. A. B. Merchant of 18 Draper street left yesterday for a brief sojourn with her sister, Mrs. E. A. Kilmer, at Howe Cave.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Meiner of Sidney were pleasant callers yesterday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clark, 13 Baker street.

Mrs. Stanley S. Miller and Mrs. Stuart Green of this city were guests yesterday of their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Thornton of Afton.

Anthony Lance has returned to Albany to resume his studies in the Albany Pharmacy college after having spent the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Florence Lance, 16 Cherry street.

M. J. Hunt of this city leaves this morning for New York city where on Friday morning he will meet with other representatives of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers to talk over a new bond issue which is being planned and which will soon be placed on sale.

Following their schedule as in these columns announced, Hon. and Mrs. Walter L. Brown and Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Turner left yesterday morning for New York city, on their way to Los Angeles, via the big canal. Many of their friends were at the D. & H. station to bid them farewell and to wish them a pleasant winter sojourn.

The many friends of Mrs. C. E. Gifford of this city, who for the past week has been quite seriously ill at the Parshall hospital, will be pleased to learn that a favorable change in her condition is noted. Her sister, Mrs. Clarence E. Norton of Westville, is staying at the Gifford home during her illness.

DEATH AT LAURENS.

Gurney H. Johnson Expires Wednesday Morning after Long Illness.

Laurens, Jan. 9. — Gurney H. Johnson, son of Mrs. Leon W. Gregory of this village, died at a little after midnight this morning at the family home in this village. He was 18 years of age, and following an accident when he was a small child, had not been in good health. He was, however, confined for only a short time to his bed. The funeral services will be held Friday at 2 p. m. at his late home. Rev. N. B. Graves of the Methodist Episcopal church will officiate and interment will be beside his father, the late Howard R. Johnson, in the Mt. Vision cemetery.

The deceased was born in New Lisbon, October 24, 1905, and his early life was spent in that township, where his mother was for several years telephone operator at Garrattsville. The family had resided for the past four years in this village, where the boy had been a familiar figure on the street, and where by all who knew him, he will be greatly missed.

Card of Thanks.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to my neighbors and friends for their many acts of kindness during the illness and death of my dear husband, also the choir and those that assisted in any way, and for the beautiful flowers, and the ministers, for their comforting words.

Mrs. Oliver Kimball.

Bargain.

Eight rooms and bath. All improvements. Good level lot. Garage. Very central. Price $4600. Eight rooms. Some improvements. Mammoth lot. Garage. Lots of fruit. Central location. Price $2500. Many other dandy bargains. Mrs. C. H. Peaslee, 9 Pine street. Phone 997. advt 2t.

Peggy O'Neil Dresses.

New shipment just arrived. Very attractive evening, velvets, silks and wool. Sale continued on this shipment. Dora S. Richardson, 1 Elm street, upstairs. advt 2t.

WILLIAMS' VANILLA
LEMON and 14 other pure flavors
Unusually Delicate Custards
Williams' Other Famous Specialties
THE WILLIAMS CHEMICAL CO. Hartford, Conn.

COUNTY BUDGET ASSURED

County Tuberculosis Work Financed for 1924 by Sale of Christmas Seals—Total to Date $5,200, Amount Needed $5,500.

Oneonta, Cooperstown, Cherry Valley, Richfield Springs, Springfield Center, Edmeston, Unadilla and Exeter are the banner towns in the Christmas Seal campaign for the support of the excellent work being done by the County Tuberculosis and Public Health association, these eight towns having reached and in fact over-subscribed the goal set for them in the sale of the seals.

Other towns that are near making their quota and which may have done so without reports reaching headquarters here are Butternuts with $140 of its $150 quota reported; Maryland with $175 toward its $185 quota; Worcester with $165 toward its $185. All the other towns with the exception of Otego, East Springfield and Pittsfield are doing as well or better than last year.

The average number of deaths from tuberculosis in Otsego county for the period of years 1917 to 1922 was 29. Practically all these deaths were preventable, and it reminds every citizen in Otsego county of his duty toward his fellow-citizens. Buying Christmas Seals is one of the best known ways to help stamp out tuberculosis. There are still about 3000 people to whom Christmas Seals were sent, who have not responded. To these people the responsibility and pleasure of buying seals is still open.

Births.

Born, January 9, to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. VanDenburgh of South Side, a nine pound daughter, Virginia E.

Good luck will help a man over a ditch—if he jumps hard. You can have the very best of coffee if you use Klipnockie. advt 6t

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THE UNIVERSAL CAR

The Man Who Buys a Ford MAKES NO MISTAKE

A Small Weekly Payment Will Assure Delivery of Your Choice of Models.

Have You Bought Yours?

	Delivered Price
Runabout, plain	$311.00
Runabout, S. & D.	$400.00
Touring, plain	$341.00
Touring, S. & D.	$430.00
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Sedan, Tudor	$650.00
Sedan, Fordor	$750.00

Oneonta Sales Co.
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MARKET STREET ONEONTA

A THREE MONTHS' SUBSCRIPTION TO THE STAR FOR SALE

ONEONTA DEPARTMENT STORE
EVERYTHING FOR EVERYBODY

January Clearance SALE

GAINS IN SPEED AND INTEREST

Enthusiasm runs high over the values that this Sale sets forth on thoroughly fine and dependable merchandise of the newest types — and every visitor cannot help but realize that all precedents in value-giving are shattered.

BUY IN THIS SALE WITH FULL CONFIDENCE IN QUALITY AND IN LOWEST PRICES

It is such values as these that make you look, and look again to make sure you have read the price tickets right—so unbelievably low are the prices. Every article listed in our first announcement is still on sale.

SILKS

40 inch All Silk Crepe de Chine; our regular $1.50 quality. Sale Price, yard $1.25

36 inch Messaline; large color line; excellent quality; equal to others' $2.00 grade. Sale Price, yard .. $1.69

40 inch Chiffon Velvet; several good shades; our special price $4.69 yard. Sale Price, yard $4.19

40 inch Georgette Crepe; very large color line; regularly $1.85 yard. Sale Price, yard $1.49

Genuine 12 Momme Pongee; first quality. Sale Price, yard ..... 85¢

40 inch Satin Charmeuse; colors: black, brown and navy; reg. $2.75 yd. Sale Price, yard $1.79

40 inch Satin Canton; colors: black, brown, navy, Copenhagen, cocoa and gray; reg. $3.50 yard. Sale Price, yard $1.89

DRESS GOODS

36 inch Plaid Dress Goods; just the thing for Children's Dresses. Have sold a great many yards at 98c yard. A special purchase lets us put them on sale at, yard ..... 49¢

54 inch Astrakhan; very fine quality; colors: black, brown, tan and gray; reg. $4.50 yard. Sale Price, yard $3.50

56 inch All Wool Coating; reg. $3.50 and $3.75 yard. Sale Price, yard $1.98

DOMESTICS

36 inch Luzerne Percale, 72x72 count; a very fine grade; excellent patterns. Sale Price, yard ... 22¢

36 inch Punjab Percale, 80x80 count; the finest Percale on the market; very large assortment. Sale Price, yard ..... 25¢

Windsor Plisse Crepe; assorted patterns; reg. 39c yard. Sale Price, yard ..... 33¢

Windsor Wash-an-Rede Crepe; a good assortment; regularly 29c yd. Sale Price, yard ..... 25¢

36 inch Passaic Challie; good assortment. Sale Price, yard ... 17¢

BLACK ROCK

36 inch Black Rock Sheeting. Limit 10 yards to a customer. Sale Price, yard ..... 16¢

32 inch Dress Gingham; about 50 pieces to choose from; regularly 50c yard. Sale Price, yard ..... 45¢

32 inch Toile du Nord and Ivanhoe Dress Ginghams; wonderful assortment; regularly 39c yard. Sale Price, yard ..... 35¢

27 inch Dress Gingham; very good quality; a big special at our price of 25c yard. Sale Price, yard .... 21¢

27 inch Apron Gingham; good assortment. Sale Price, yard ... 15¢

Burson Hose; imitation wool; four colors: Black, brown heather, green heather and mixed heather; at our special price of 39c pair; a big value. Sale Price, pair ..... 39¢

SHEETS AND CASES

72x90 Mohawk Sheets; regularly $1.65 each. Sale Price, each $1.39

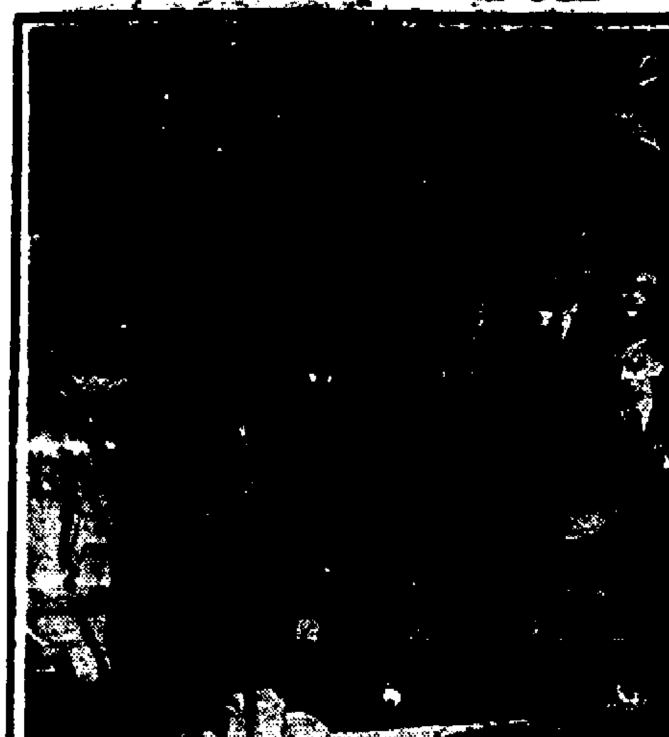
45x36 Daisy Pillow Cases; a great value at, pair ..... 45¢

Boyshform Brassieres

We are closing out our entire line of these famous Brassieres at One-Half Price

These are specially designed for the large and extra large ladies as well as for the medium figure. A great chance to save money.

You Can't Keep Them Out



Radio waves will penetrate just about everything! A test was made recently 90 feet below the surface of the Hudson River at New York City, in the steel tube of the new tunnel now under construction. Almost perfect reception was recorded. Major Gleim (extreme left) is chief engineer of the new tunnel, an engineering marvel.

EXPERTS FIND SECRET OF ANIMAL LONGEVITY

Horses in Active Service With the Army Have Average Age of 14 Years.

Washington.—Army experts believe they have discovered the secret of animal longevity.

Old horses and mules in "active service" today have an average age of fourteen years, while in the nominal civil activities eleven-year-old animals are regarded as beyond the age of usefulness. The "oldsters" of the army herds, whether in the cavalry, artillery or transport service, are still "going strong." In one case a twenty-five-year-old charger is still winning blue ribbons for performances in his class.

The secret, the experts believe, lies in regularity of diet, exercise, rest, grooming and all the other cares with which the army surrounds its animals in time of peace. They estimate that a five-year average increase in the useful-life period of horses and mules in the service has already been proved, figuring that the fourteen-year-olds of today will still be fit for active service two years from now.

The total number of animals in active army service is 44,423, and the average age for all of these is fourteen years. Of the 26,254 horses, 80 per cent are more than eleven years of age, and of the 18,169 mules 64 per cent have passed the eleven-year mark. These statistics indicate, according to army experts, that the bulk of animal work in the army is being done by horses and mules which, in civil life, would be regarded as fit only for the boneyard or the pension list.

Court Tells Husband to Give His Wife Holiday

Chicago.—Mrs. Charles Tierney of this city, a railroad man's wife, hasn't had a ride on a train for 19 years. Soon, however, as a consequence of an order by Judge Morgan in the Court of Domestic Relations, Mrs. Tierney will take a trip to New York and have money for new hats and a real vacation.

"My husband is a railroad man, but since I married and came to Chicago as a bride, I've never even had a ride."

"I treat my wife the best I can," Tierney said, "and I give her all my money. She says I give it to another woman. She just won't believe me."

"Well," decided Judge Morgan, "women are peculiar beings. They don't always believe everything we men say, but I know what I'm going to do in this case. Your wife has washed too many dishes and cooked too many meals without getting a vacation. I understand her folks live in New York. I want you to get a pass to New York and give her enough money to have a good time for a month. While she is gone you will be responsible for the children."

"Thank you very much," Mrs. Tierney said to the judge. "I am very tired, and a trip is just what I need."

Use Blood of Worm in Tubercular Fight

Paris.—A simple worm scientifically known as "galleria-mellonella," may be the salvation of millions of human lives, according to the conclusions of Professor Metalnikov, Russian savant of the Pasteur institute, after experiments lasting since 1908.

The "galleria-mellonella," according to Metalnikov, is the only living thing absolutely immune to tuberculosis.

From its blood the Russian scientist is now engaged in producing an anti-tubercular serum on which the famous Pasteur institute pins high hopes.

Finds Old Stone Canoe.

Santa Barbara, Cal.—Investigators of the Smithsonian Institution of Washington, D. C., led by J. P. Harrington, have unearthed in an ancient grave on Burton's mound in this city the prow of what was once a soapstone canoe. The find is said to be unique in the history of American archeological research, and indicates, in the opinion of the scientists, that stone boats were used by the ancient aborigines of this district.

Temperament Flighty.

Common sense bears discomfort for a reasonable time. "Temperament" flies off the handle at once.

Good Company.

If a man is good company he is welcome to take up as much time as a bore would and more, too.

U. S. OIL WASTE FOUND ENORMOUS

One-Third to One-Half of Production Lost, According to Government Survey.

Washington.—Losses of natural gas and oil through flooding, neglect, waste and negligence in the various fields in the United States have been enormous, according to statements of the Interior department, based upon a recent survey by the bureau of mines.

While the oil and gas industry has progressed steadily and has been practically revolutionized during the 64 years of its existence, losses have run into untold millions of feet of gas and gallons of fuel oil. Flooding of oil sands by water have irreparably damaged entire oil and gas fields, the water trapping underground oil that probably never will be recovered. Water in an oil well so increases lifting costs that many wells are abandoned before the normal recovery of oil and gas is obtained.

Corrosive waters attack casing and eventually eat holes in it. Operators in the Kansas El Dorado field alone expend thousands of dollars annually replacing casing, tubing, sucker rods and other equipment so destroyed.

Muzzling of the Flow.

Although "blowouts" and "wild wells" were formerly the greatest factors in the loss, modern equipment has made it easier to muzzle the unchecked flows. The old practice of allowing "gushers" to waste oil and gas unchecked until the force either was stopped by cave-ins or decreased an appreciable amount, has been done away with, but not before millions of dollars' worth of the natural resources were lost.

In the early days of the Cushing field in Oklahoma, in 1912 and 1913, it is estimated 100,000,000 feet of gas were wasted daily. Large flowing wells which produced from 1,000,000 to 110,000,000 cubic feet of gas daily were allowed to flow, the operators only gathering the oil. Until recently no use was made of gas produced in the Salt Creek field of Wyoming and the daily loss was estimated at 42,000,000 cubic feet.

What Bureau's Study Showed.

In 1912 the total amount of gas consumed throughout the country was 662,052,000,000 cubic feet, while the loss of casing head gas alone was estimated at 141,000,000,000 feet in that year. It seems probable that from one-third to one-half of all the gas produced is wasted, the bureau's study showed.

Production of gasoline from natural gas was started in 1904 and, while the amount recovered has increased by leaps and bounds yearly, it was estimated that since that year at least 2,500,000,000 gallons of gasoline have been wasted, or twice the amount recovered. More than 25,000,000 gallons of gasoline must have been lost in the [illegible] ing this time. From 20,000,000 to 40,000,000 gallons were lost in the El Dorado field.

Emulsions with water cause another great loss. Engineers estimate the production of "cut" oil in the Mid-Continent and Gulf coast fields in 1920 and 1921 at about 100,000,000 barrels, while half of this was lost, at an estimated waste of $100,000,000.

Russian Gamblers Sent to Provinces in Exile

Moscow.—Russia has established a pale, not for Jews as in the czarist regime, but for gamblers, obnoxious speculators and citizens whose usefulness in the upbuilding of the country is questioned by the officials.

Within the next few days, scores of men and their families, barred from living in Moscow, Petrograd or any of the big cities, will start for the provinces, while several dozen more will begin the long trek to the Narinsky district of Siberia, the shores of the White sea or other distant points of exile.

A year ago a decree was issued establishing the right of administrative banishment by the department of the interior, but up to the last few weeks this power had been used only sparingly. Now, however, a great wave of moral reform seems to have come over the communist leaders who are inclined to blame the extravagance of gamblers and speculators for the failure of some of the government's commercial enterprises.

Jap Officer Guilty of Strangling "Red"

Tokyo.—Capt. Masahiko Amakasu, gendarmerie officer, was found guilty of the slaying on September 16 of Sakaye Osugi, socialist leader, and his wife and child and sentenced to ten years' imprisonment. Sergeant Mori, an accomplice, was sentenced to three years. Three other soldiers were acquitted.

Osugi had been deported to France because of his radical activities and returned to Japan just before he was slain. Amakasu admitted he killed the Osugis by strangling after he had arrested them and taken them to a gendarmerie station.

Crash Removes Wart From Nose.

Baraboo, Wis.—On his way to a doctor to have a wart removed from his nose, H. L. Holsted of Baraboo, was saved the trouble when his car hit a pole. Glass from the windshield removed the wart. Otherwise Holsted was uninjured.

Poetic Justice.

An Ohio judge sentenced a man who had attempted suicide to spend twenty-four hours in the morgue.

One Without Ostentation.

That which is given with pride and ostentation is rather an ambition than a bounty.—Seneca.

Handsome Sailors Desert to Enter the "Movies"

Baltimore.—Ship captains operating to the California coast have a bone to pick with the motion picture industry. They say that because of the numerous desertions of young men from their vessels at San Pedro they generally have to return to Baltimore short-handed. The lads quit to go to Hollywood.

Capt. John Martin of the steamship Venetia said:

"It is a wretched state of affairs. If we sign a good-looking, well set-up, young ordinary seaman, or mess boy, it is a pretty sure shot that he will desert as soon as he gets to San Pedro and go to Hollywood for a chance to enter the moving pictures.

"In fact, it is getting so that we take it for granted that if we enlist a new man, he is just joining the ship to get a chance to get to Hollywood. I am skeptical about any young fellow unless he has a face that only a mother could love. Even then he might quit the ship and try to get in on a comedy."

Every month thousands of dollars in deserters' wages are turned over to the shipping commissioner's office here. Desertions occasionally run as high as 100 men a month. Last month they ran close to a hundred. One vessel lost every ordinary seaman and mess boy it carried.

Judge Crops by Plane.

Washington.—Measuring crop acreages by means of airplane photography is being tested by the Department of Agriculture in an effort to remove as far as possible the hazard of errors in crop reporting. Experiments have been made at Tallulah, La., with photographs of fields of cotton, corn and hay, made at heights from 2,500 to 7,000 feet, with the plane traveling 80 to 90 miles an hour.

Darien Landmark Burns.

Darien, Conn.—A landmark known as Tokeneke Stables was burned recently with a loss of $25,000. Antique furniture belonging to E. H. Norton, president of a local realty company, who is in Ecuador, and the value of which is unknown, was destroyed.

Idealism.

Moral idealism is justified if it means allowing people to work out their careers as they choose, provided they don't injure others.

Masses May Get Tired.

Men who keep up to concert pitch furnish the music for the masses to dance by; and sometimes the masses get tired of dancing.

Art of Cutting.

It is the contributor to a newspaper who first learns how many sentences can be cut out to the great improvement of an article.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Pursuant to an order of Sheldon B. Close, surrogate of the county of Otsego, notice is hereby given according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Ira E. Osterhout, deceased, late of the city of Oneonta, in said county, that they are required to exhibit the same, with vouchers thereof, to the undersigned administratrix of the estate of the said deceased, at the law offices of Owen C. Becker, attorney, in the city of Oneonta, in said county, on or before the 1st day of February, next.

Dated, July 17, 1923.

Anna M. Osterhout, Administratrix.

Owen C. Becker, Attorney for Administratrix, Oneonta, N. Y.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Pursuant to an order of Sheldon B. Close, surrogate of the county of Otsego, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Caroline A. Alger, deceased, late of the town of Milford, in said county, that they are required to exhibit the same, with vouchers thereof, to the undersigned executrix of the estate of the said deceased, at the law offices of George L. Gibbs, in the city of Oneonta, in said county, on or before the 1st day of May, next.

Dated, October 16, 1923.

Ella Beams, Executrix.

George L. Gibbs, Attorney for Executrix, Oneonta, N. Y.

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The Safe Drug Stores
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These Cut Prices Represent Big Savings

California Fig Syrup	43¢
Dextri Maltose, 1 lb.	69¢
Father John's	48¢ and 92¢
Fletcher's Castoria	28¢
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Horlick's Malted Milk 1 lb.	83¢
Maltine	$1.14
Mellin's Food, large	65¢
Nuxated Iron	79¢
Nujol 16 ozs.	79¢
Pinkham's Compound	89¢
Russell's Emulsion	89¢
Sloan's Liniment	29¢, 59¢ and $1.19
Scott's Emulsion	45¢ and 89¢
Wampole's Extract	75¢
Coty's L'Origan Face Powder	89¢
Cuticura Soap	23¢, 3 for 65¢
Forhan's for the Gums	45¢
Frostilla	27¢
Hind's Almond Cream	39¢ and 89¢
J. & J. Baby Talc	19¢
Kolynos	23¢
Mulsified Oil	39¢
Pebecco	39¢
Pepsodent	39¢
Woodbury Soap	23¢, 3 for 65¢

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Coffee (1 lb. reg. 45c) 2 for 52c	Strawberry Jam (15 oz. reg. 45c) 2 for 55c
Tea (½ lb. reg. 50c) 2 for 61c	Raspberry Jam (15 oz. reg. 45c) 2 for 55c
Cocoa (½ lb. reg. 25c) 2 for 26c	Grape Jam (15 oz. reg. 45c) 2 for 46c
Salad Dressing (Liggett's) (Reg. 40c) 2 for 41c	Peanut Butter (10 oz. jar reg. 35c) 2 for 36c
Chocolate Pudding (Reg. 15c) 2 for 16c	Vanilla Extract (2 oz. reg. 35c) 2 for 36c
Cake Chocolate (Reg. 25c) 2 for 26c	Pure Olive Oil (12½ oz. reg. 98c) 2 for 99c
Beef Cubes (Reg. 30c) 2 for 31c	Grape Jelly (10 oz. jar reg. 35c) 2 for 36c
Orange Marmalade (12 oz. jar reg. 39c) 2 for 40c	

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Special 89c

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A Pound of 75c Pure Cold Cream

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Of course you can serve it hot—and it makes a satisfying, strengthening meal on which to start the day's work. Heat two Shredded Wheat Biscuits in the oven to restore crispness and then pour hot milk over them, adding a little cream and salt. Nothing so delicious and satisfying as these crisp, flavory shreds of baked whole wheat. They are ready-cooked and ready-to-eat.

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Such a test is especially desirable for a true understanding of Chalmers hydraulic four-wheel brakes, the final answer to brake control.

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7-Passenger Touring	1295	7-Passenger Sedan	2055
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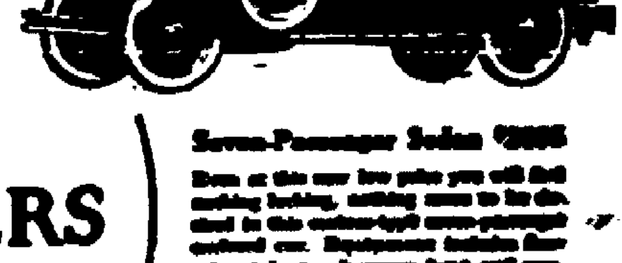

The Improved CHALMERS SIX

Seven-Passenger Sedan [illegible]

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Cares for First Dead in Dixmude Disaster

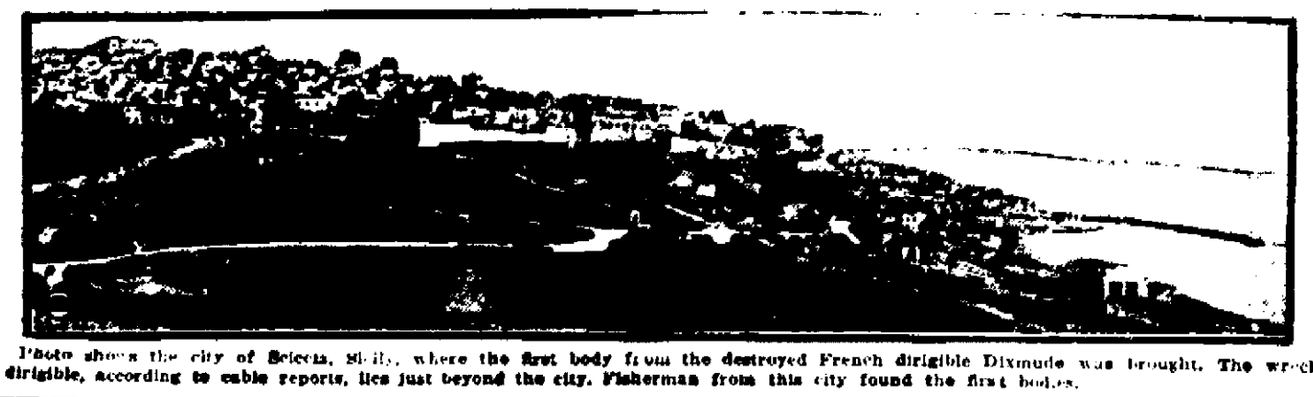


Photo shows the city of Sciecia, Sicily, where the first body from the destroyed French dirigible Dixmude was brought. The wreckage of the dirigible, according to cable reports, lies just beyond the city. Fisherman from this city found the first bodies.

BENEDICT CASE DROPPED

By Request of Counsel Oneonta Note Action Discontinued—Hearing in Weldow Case Goes Over.

Cooperstown, Jan. 9.— At the adjourned term of county court, held by Judge C. G. Welch of Edmeston at the court house this afternoon, the case of Sadie Koury vs. Clyde H. Benedict, an Oneonta case to recover on a note, which was on the calendar for trial, was discontinued, John G. Johnson, Esq., attorney for plaintiff, and Claude V. Smith for defendant, announcing that the matter had been settled.

Merritt Bridges, Esq., of Morris, appearing for the bondsmen of John F. Weldow, moved that the order granted last month forfeiting the $5,000 bail of Weldow be vacated. Weldow was indicted for rape in the second degree at the November term of supreme court, but failed to appear for trial at the county court term in December. District Attorney E. R. Campbell, who made his first appearance in official capacity in this case, opposed the motion which was held open until March 24, at 10:30 a. m., at which time the court was adjourned. It is hoped that at that time the defendant can be produced in court. J. J. Byard, Esq., of Oneonta, appeared with Mr. Bridges in the Weldow case.

As above stated, the December term of court, which was adjourned last month to this morning, today was adjourned to 10:30 a. m. on March 24. The spring term of the county court opens at 11 o'clock, on that day, giving only half an hour for the business of the adjourned term before the regular term opens.

Ina S. Sweet, practical bonesetter, at the Windsor, Oneonta, February 4; National hotel, Norwich, February 6. advt 1mo

Many Have Appendicitis Don't Know It

Much so-called stomach trouble is really chronic appendicitis. This can often be relieved by simple glycerine, buckthorn bark, etc., as mixed in Adlerika. Most medicines act only on lower bowel but Adlerika acts on BOTH upper and lower bowel and removes all gases and poisons. Brings out matter you never thought was in your system. Excellent for obstinate constipation. Brinkman & Shippey, A. constipation. City Drug Store, Oneonta. Thomas M. Hicky, Milford.

FACTORY HOLDS KEY TO SALES

Dodge Brothers Cite Quality Production as Reason for Achievement of One Million Record.

There is one factory, at least, in which there is no dispute between sales and production executives as to the relatives importance of their departments.

Ask anyone of authority in the sales department of Dodge Brothers, Detroit, which is more important—the job of manufacturing or the job of selling—and you will get an immediate, emphatic answer:

"In our business, manufacturing, by all means."

Ever since Dodge Brothers turned out their first motor car, back in 1914, and even before that time, when Dodge Brothers were building parts for other manufacturers, major stress has always been placed on the building of the product, rather than the selling.

"Build it well and it will sell itself," was their cardinal doctrine.

Dodge Brothers believe that a product could not survive long unless it was conscientiously built—that the public would always prefer fundamental merit to superficial glamor; that a car with a real reputation for goodness would always find a healthy market, regardless of the whims of fashion.

The fact that Dodge Brothers have now built and sold more than 1,000,000 cars, seems to bear out this contention in an emphatic way. The million mark was reached December 13, 1923—just nine years and 11 days after the first Dodge Brothers Motor Car left the factory.

Officials explain that this remarkable record is due to the fact that there never has been an "off year" in Dodge Brothers history. Demand has always enjoyed a steady increase. The public, recognizing the merit of the car, sought it so persistently that the factory was forced to establish a world's record in quantity production.

And yet, with all their expansion, from 50 and 100 a day to a present plant capacity of 1,000, they have never for a moment lost sight of the original ideal. Quality still has preference over quantity.

The same nutritive value at a lower price without sacrificing anything in quality and deliciousness. That's what you get when you use Hygrade brand butterine. advt 6t

A FEW SMILES

"I am nagging my husband for a trip to Europe."

"With what prospects?"

"Oh, I ought to get a winter hat out of it."—[Louisville Courier-Journal.

Lady of the House—"Don't you ever look for work?"

Hobo Harry—"No, mum; me method is to listen in fer it." — [Boston Transcript.

"I have been on this train several years," said the conductor of a slowly moving southern train, proudly.

"Is that so?" said a passenger. "Where did you get on?"—[St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Rastus — "Feller, why for yo'all dabblin' wid dis here oysteropathy?"

Sambo—"'Cause Ah done read in a book dis oysteropathy done treat ob de manipulatin' ob bones, and de onliest partiality Ah's got is humorin' de galloping dommoes to pass in review."—[Legion Weekly.

"Was your husband cool when the burglar broke in the other night?" asked Mrs. Jay. "Cool?" said Mrs. Bee. "Why, he shivered all over."—[London Tit-Bits.

"Do you think airships will ever come into popular use?" "Most assuredly. If they keep on flooding the land with automobiles, a lot of us will have to take to the air."—[Boston Transcript.

"He keeps calling on the fickle girl in spite of the fact that she jilted him." "Yes," replied Miss Cayenne, "and he'll probably have his revenge. He isn't much of a Romeo, but he is a wonderful oil stock salesman." —[Washington Star.

Second Health Nurse for Schoharie.

The Schoharie county Board of Supervisors has appropriated funds for the salary and expenses of a second health nurse, and will apply for state funds under the state aid to counties law to pay for a part of the nurse's salary. The appropriation for the second nurse was urged at a meeting of the Board of Supervisors by Dr. Ryder, president of the county Red Cross, Dr. H. L. Odell, health officer of Sharon Springs, and Dr. Leroy Becker, health officer of Cobleskill.

TALK ON SICK ROOM DISHES

Homemakers' Conference at State College February 11-16 Offers Wide Range of Lecture Topics

Ithaca, Jan. 9. — The homemaker who has found her ingenuity tested in the preparation of food for the sick will be interested in a discussion on that subject which is scheduled for the program of the Homemakers' conference to be held at the State College of Agriculture at Ithaca in connection with Farmers' week, February 11-16. This discussion will be given by Professor Helen Monsch at 10 o'clock on Saturday, the last day of the conference.

The Home Economics school of the college is offering a wide range of subjects in its program. On Monday, for example, Professor Flora Rose will speak on some food habits of other nations, while Professor Martha Vanrensselaer will talk on the subject of the housekeeper and civic life. Tuesday's subjects include the nutrition of the school child, labor saving equipment, the physical health of the child, the mental ability of the child, and color and texture combinations in the dresses of this season.

A special feature of Wednesday will be the story-telling at 4 o'clock conducted by Mrs. Albert C. Durand, better known as Ruth Sawyer, author of many popular stories and novels.

Keeping the Race Fit.

On Wednesday, Dr. Carro Croft will give an address on "Keeping the Race Fit," and Dr. Helen Wooley will take as her topic "Training the Parent." Other Wednesday topics deal with the right start for the baby, labor saving equipment, and some helps in home dressmaking.

On Thursday, Dr. Wooley will follow up her talk of the previous day by speaking on "Training the Child," and from 3 to 5 o'clock "Home Bureau day" will be observed with a program in charge of the State Federation of Home Bureaus. Other discussions scheduled for Thursday include some household textiles, labor saving equipment, and table manners and customs.

Problems of the household will come in for discussion on Friday, as well as talks on selecting a dress design, vegetables in the diet, and helps in home dressmaking.

Just as sure as two and two equal four—a good cook and Baker's Certified flavoring extracts will produce perfect desserts. advt 6t

WANTS VARIETY IN FRUITS

Horticulturist Claims That Consumer Should Have Greater Choice of Kinds.

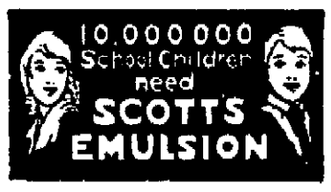
That the consuming public is unnecessarily restricted in the choice of varieties of fruit offered on the markets, in view of the large number of excellent kinds that could be grown and marketed to advantage, is the opinion expressed in a recent statement issued by Dr. U. P. Hedrick, horticulturist at the New York State Agricultural Experiment station at Geneva. With only a few varieties of apples, one or two pears, a few kinds of plums or grapes to choose from the consumer is often limited to sorts that are poorly adapted to the purpose for which he wishes to use them, whereas the wide range in color, flavor, quality, etc., of the many varieties of these fruits known to fruit growers make it possible to supply every need of the consumer with the product best suited to his tastes, declares Dr. Hedrick. It may be good business for the individual grower to produce only a few kinds, he says; but taking the industry as a whole, a greater variety would prove beneficial to both producer and consumer.

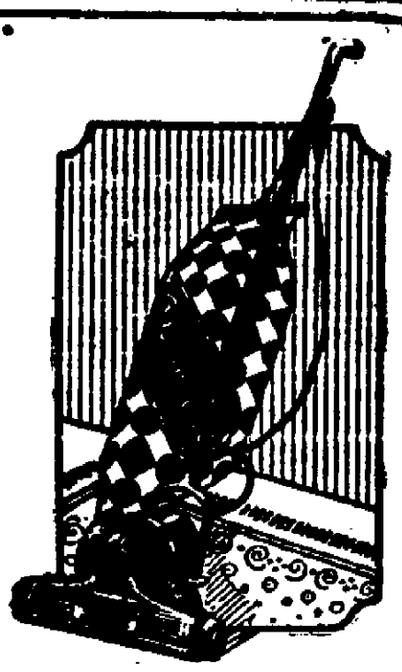
Large Number of Kinds Known.

"Fruit growing in America is suffering because of the niggardly assortment of fruits which fruit growers put on the markets," says Dr. Hedrick. "There are hundreds of varieties of the different tree fruits which fruit growers could offer the multitudes of consumers to supply varied tastes at the several seasons of the year and for different purposes. Yet, unfortunately, growers offer and consumers buy only a few kinds of red apples, some one of four or five pears, about a half dozen kinds of peaches, and a few plums, cherries and grapes out of the thousands of sorts that might be grown. Nature has made fruits so various and their novelty is so pleasing that those who buy fruits might be indulged with whatever flavors, colors, odors, and tastes best suit them. Fruit buyers should demand more kinds of fruits in the infinite variety that might be offered by fruit growers. It is true that many old kinds are not worth growing and ought not to be put on the market; but with the great number of delicious new fruits that are being developed by plant breeders in experiment stations and by nurserymen and fruit growers everywhere, consumers ought to get sorts which please both the eye and the taste.

"It must be admitted that it may be good business for the individual grower to produce a few varieties of fruit because of the greater convenience in harvesting and marketing, but certainly a locality, or state, or country ought to produce many kinds out of the long list of worth while sorts."

Wanted—Ford touring or roadster, 20, 21 or 22 model in good running condition; cheap for cash. Car, care of Star. advt 3t





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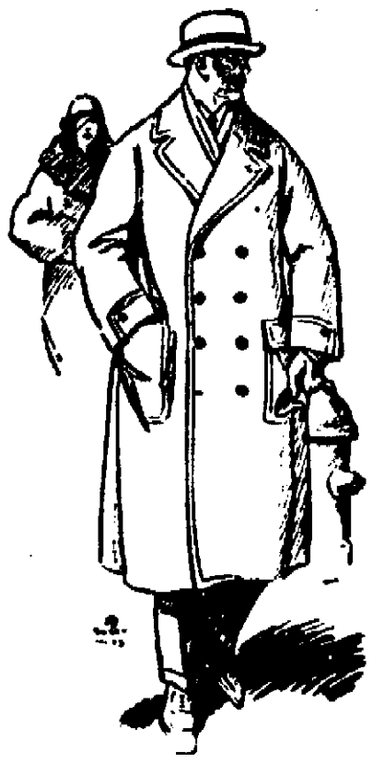

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